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# PREFACE

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taining Variety therein contained there are several excellent Things, reputed to be written by some of the most Masterly Pens that the present Age bath bitherto been proud of, but whether Printed by Confent of, or revis'd by the Authors, I will not venture toaffirm, without better Affurance.

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to my felf.

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The Parson and the Fowls: Or, The Maid too cunning for her Master.

Rich old Batchelor, a Clergyman in the Country, having made choice of a pretty young Maid to be his House-keeper, had order'd, upon a certain Sunday, a couple of Fowls to be got ready for his Dinner, that after he had given his Congregation a little Christian Consolation at Church, he might come Home and refresh his tired Vitals with a dainty Modicum. When the Clark, and his loobily Affiftants, had chim'd all in for about a Quarter of an Hour, away jogg'd the Shepherd to fodder his Sheep, and measure his Time by the Hour-Glass, leaving his pretty House-keeper to prepare the Cacklers against the accustomary time of his return.

The diligent Maid, when the thought her Ghoftly Master had been long enough

nough Exalted to Degrees above the Clark, to get about a Quarter of an Hour, on the right Side of his Text, guess'd it a very proper Time to lay down the Fowls, which she did accordingly. As the Tit-Bits were running merrily round before a routing Fire, who should take the Advantage of the Parson's Absence, but his House-keeper's Sweetheart, who, by his pleasant comical Hoity-Toities, and other winning Accomplishments, had so wriggl'd himself into her Affections, that he had as much Command of her as her Master.

cal Hoity-Toities, and other winning Accomplishments, had so wriggl'd himfelf into her Affections, that he had as much Command of her as her Master.

The Maid, having mistaken the Time of Day, happen'd to be a little too carly with her Cookery, so that the Fowls were full ready before the Parlon had given his hungry. Auditory Leave to return Home to their Puddings and Dumplings. The Sweet-heart, being a Fellow of an incomparable Stomach, thought it great pity good such Victuals should be spoil'd for want of eating, and very eagerly sollicited his loving Jug, to spare him one of the Fowls to stop a little Hole he had in his Appetite, telling her, One would be sufficient for her Master, and that she had

had Wit enough to contrive some Story or other, handsomely to excuse the Matter.

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The Maid, being willing to oblige her Lover, who she found was so desirous to oblige her upon all Occasions, ventur'd to take up one to save the Longing of her Sweet-heart, who, being very well prepar'd for such a nice Entertainment, gobbl'd it up with such Expedition, that before his Benefact'ress had wound up the Jack, he had not so much is left the Claws, which the poor Cockril us'd to scratch the Dunghil withal.

He had no sooner thus dispatch'd his bweet-heart's first Courtesie, but he began to be very importunate with her or the second, telling her, an Excuse was as easily made for both, as for one; and that she had as good be hang'd for Sheep as a Lamb; till at last, by adding a few melting Kisses to his ravelous Sollicitations, he prevail'd upon her to draw the other off the Spit, that he might sinish his Meal, by robbing he Parlon of his Sunday's Dinner. The second Bird being brought before him, he lost no Time, but drove down the former

former with the latter, without any visible Abatement of either his Speed or his Appetite. When he had cleared the Dish, and wash'd all down with a Cup of the Parson's best Beer, he took a thankful Leave of his Mistress, who now began to be at her Wits End, how to excuse her Foolishness.

As she was thus pondering with herfelf, who should step in, but the Parson and a Stranger with him, who coming from another Town to hear him Preach, the Parson thought himself oblig'd to in-

vite him to Dinner with him.

No sooner had the Levite conducted his Guest into the Parlour, but he beg'd his Pardon a Minute, and retir'd into another Room to whet his Knise upon the Frame of an old Table, which was always his Custom before Dinner; the Maid, in a Peck of Fears and Troubles, took the Advantage of this Interim, and stepping into the Parlour in a strange seeming fort of Disorder, frightens away her Master's Guest, with a surprizing Story as follows, viz 'Lord, Sir, how came you to venture your self home with my Master at this time of Day; When if you had known, you might have easily

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discover'd by his Countenance, he is in one of his old Freaks. Why, what's the matter with him? fays the Country Farmer, he was very civil to me in the Church-Yard, and by all means would bring me Home to Dine with him. Alas! good Sir reply'd this Maid, What ever you do, let me advise you to make the best of your Way out of the House, for if you stay, now he is in one of his Frenzical Humours, he will certainly Geld you; and I dare fay he is wetting his Knife for the same Purpose: He has lately ferv'd two or three fo already, tho' they have had the Discretion to keep it filent because they would not be laugh'd at. I thank thee kindly, Sweet-heart, ery'd the Country man, are these his Tricks, with a Pox to him? Wounds! shew me the next Way out, for I would not lose my Tarriwags for the best Dinner in Christendem: Upon which she shew'd him a Back-Door, and away ran my Gaffer as if the Devil was at his Heels.

He had not been gone a Minute, but in comes the Parson with his Knife in his Hand, and finds his Maid stamping and storming, as if she was raving Mad, in the Parlour, with an empty,

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smear'd Dish upon the Table, and his Gueft gone: "What's the matter now, fays be Parjon. Where's the Man gone that I brought home with me? Lord, Sir, replies the Maid, I never faw fuch an unmannerly Hound fince my Eyes were open, I no looner brought the Fowls to the Table, but he fnatch'd them both out of the Dish and crammi'd 'em into his Codpiece, and away he fcowr'd out of the Back-Door, as if the Devil were in him. Nouris, flys the Priest, I am resolv'd the Impudent Rogue thall not Cozen me of my Dinner fo: And away runs the Parson after the Countryman, who, by this Time had gotten hear a Field's Length off him; however, having Preach'd himself very Hungry, he trotted away after him with his naked Knife in his Hand, crying out, Give me, you brazen Rogue, what you have run away with in your Breeches, the Fellow answering as he ran, Estath Doctor, not I, I would rather see you hang'd first. The Parlon finding the Fellow too nimble for him, was very willing to compound, and cry out in milder Torms, Prithee, Friend, 'don't run away with 'em but be lo kind as to let me have one of them. Not ly by the Mals, replies

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Devil, than part with either of 'em.'. The Farmer being Young and Lusty, soon got Ground of the Parson, so that he was sore'd to give over his Chase, and return home Pussing and Blowing, having nothing left but Batchelor's Fare, viz. Bread and Cheese, and Kisses for his Sunday's Dinner.

The Lady's Complaint against the Merchant, for running away with the Pump.

Turkey Merchant travelling on tho Road, about 20 Miles from London, happen'd to be overtaken by very bad Weather a little before Night, and having no Prospect of a Publick House to have Recourse to for Shelter, being a Man of Figure, he refolv'd to beg Admittance at the first House he came to, to avoid the Severity of the encreasing Storm; he had not Gallopped on a Furlong further, but he came to a pretty next Box which stood by the Highway-Side, where he beheld a very beautiful Lady looking out of a Window, upon which he rid up to the Door, and applying himself to the Lady at the Casement, humbly begged her to take Pity upon a distressed Traveller, and that. that she would be so kind as to give him a Reception till the Violence of the Storm was blown over or abated: The compatitionate Lady discerning him to be a Gentleman, soon granted his Request, and order'd her Servant to admit her Weather-beaten Supplicant, and to take care of his Horse: He had no sooner taken Sanctuary in his little Paradice, as he thought it, but a rousing Fire was kindled in the Parlour, and a Cap, Night-Gown, Shirt, Slippers, and all Conveniencies were brought him to restresh him.

When he had thus refreshed his Body with a good Fire and a dry Garment, he presented his Service to the Lady by her Waiting-Maid, and humbly craved Leave to pay his Respects to the Lady, and that she would honour him with an Opportunity of returning her Thanks for the great and charitable Obligation she had conferred upon him. No sooner was the Message delivered, but the generous Lady very readily blessed him with her Company: After he had attacked her Ears with a whole Volley of Complements, and dischar'd himself at her Entrance very much like a Gentleman.

Comical Intrigues.

Gentleman, the call'd for a Bottle of Canary, and order'd a very ageeeable cold Entertainment to be brought in, for the Prefent.

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By this time, the Gentleman presum'd fo far, as to ask the Lady if the was marry'd who answer'd in the Negative; further telling him. 'That she was oblig'd to a Gentleman who was her peculiar Friend, for her Residence in that House, who was ' gone a long Journey into Scotland, and that she did not expect him back this fix Weeks; and withal, affur'd him, fince the Weather prov'd fo bad, he should be very welcome to flay all Night, if it fuit-'ed with his Conveniency. The Gentleman being a jolly, juvenile Spark, and very amoroufly inclin'd, had no Power to refuse so kind an Invitation from so fair a Lady, but made a facetious Acknowledgment of her Favour, and thankfully accepted of her obliging Proffer; and to prevent any Mistrust, that upon more mature Deliberation, she might have of No his being some defigning Person, he plucks but a Letter out of his Pocket, directed to him had at his House in London, For Sir Robert lley 7-, a Justice of the Peace in the 7--, a Justice of the Peace in the felt City, which had been sent him about

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three Days before by the Penny-Post, the Lady read it over with abundance of Attention making him a Compliment when she had done, viz. That there needed nothing further than his Appearance to

prove him a Gentleman. The Merchant, ashe had good Reafon, believing her to be a Lady in Keeping, began to take Heart of Grace, and to treat her after such an amorous Manner, that was sufficient to let her understand he expected, as certainly as he lay there that Night, that she should be his Bedfellow; fo that when Supper was over, having prepar'd her with a few melting Kiffes, and other foftening Preliminaries, he took the Freedom to make her sensible of the unexpressible Happiness he had the Hopes of enjoying; to which she seemed neither very averse, nor yet over-forward, but cunningly fignify'd, than barely Love and Importunity, to the Merchant being an Intelligible Man, I foon discover'd her Meaning the Meaning and Intelligible Man, I foon discover'd her Meaning the the wanted fome further Inducement, the Merchant being an Intelligible Man, foon discovered her Meaning, and being elevated by her Charms and Dalliances, to the highest Bitch of Desire, told

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told her, 'That he had no Present about him worthy of her Acceptance; but if, at any Time, when the came to London, the would give herfelf the Trouble to fend for him to any Tavern, he would be extreamly glad to wait on her, and 'that he would present her with Fifty Guineas, to buy her a Diamond Ring, if the would do him the Honour to wear it for his Sake. She keeningly took but slight Notice of his generous Offer; but however began to shift off her former. Coyness, and Lip-led him into a pretty good Assurance, that he had gain'd the Point, and at last condescended so far, as to promise him her Favours, which was no sooner done, but a convenient Bed of Refignation was order'd to be sheet-ed next to her own Chamber, whither she could have an easy Recourse at Midnight, without Discovery. d,

without Discovery.

When all things were in Readings, to the Merchant hasted to his Pillow, thinking every Minute an Age till the man, Business was confummated: When all Things were hush, the Servants gone to Bed, and the Opportunity proved search ionable, the Lady was as good as her old Word, and nothing but Sallenger's Round

was reciprocally dane'd, till both Parties were rather tir'd than fatisfy'd. About Day-break, the Lady bid him Good-morrow, and returned to her own Bed, leaving her weary'd Lover to refresh himself with a little Sleep after his hard Night's Journey. When three or four Hour's Repose had enabled him to rise, up he got, and recovering his Loss of Spirits with a plentiful Cup of mulled Canary, he returned the Lady Abundance of Thanks for her compassionate Favours, discharg'd himself handsomely of the Servants, and so proceeded on his Journey.

About a Month after, the Lady came to Town, and according to her Lover's Directions, made bold to fend for him from his own House; but the Gentleman recollecting what an extravagant Promise he had made the Lady, in Requital of her Favours, thought it the wisest way to neglect going; accordingly sent back Word; That he was very busy and could not possibly wait on her; which provoking Slight, after the Pretence of so much Kindness, justly kindled in the Lady such a revengeful Indignation, that her nimble Wits had soon formed a Project

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Project how she should be even with him resolving to put her Design in Practice with all Expedition.

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Accordingly he takes Coach, and orders the Coachman to drive her to Sir Robert 3—, a known Justice of the Peace, and the very Gentleman who fent the Letter to the Merchant which he had shewn to the Lady: Sir Robert being at Home and at Leisure, she was soon admitted to acquaint the Justice with her Butiness, who told him, that she had a great Complaint against his Friend Mr. Hazard. The Justice seem'd much furpriz'd, that so pretty a Lady should appear as an Enemy against his Friend, whom he always thought to be a Man of unspotted Reputation, and desir'd to know what she had to charge him with: Upon with the injur'd Lady thus laid open the Grievances, viz. 'your Friend Mr. Ha: zard, the Merchant, not long fince took of me a very pleasant little Tenement, which he was to occupy without any Let, Hindrance, or Molestation, for a certain Term agreed on between both Parties, in confideration of the Sum of fifty Guineas, which he was to pay me on demand, and after he had enjoy'd

the Premises, with all its Appurtenances, the full time of the Agreement he

quitted the Possession very Dishonoura-

bly, and now hides himself from me, be-

cause he would not pay me the Money.

Madam, reply'd the Justice, I am very fortry to hear these things of a Gentleman

who is my Friend, and a Person that has

'always enjoy'd so fair a Character; but

· however, Madam, these are Matters that

' come within the Cognizance of the Com-

" mon-Law, so that they are not properly

within my Sphere to meddle with, but

this Service I can do you; if you please, Madam, I will send for him, and if, up-

on hearing both fides, I find he has done

you wrong I will persuade him all that

4 I can to do you Justice.

The Lady approv'd very well of the Proposal, and thank'd his Worship for his Civility; accordingly Sir Robert dispatch'd his Footman with a Message to Mr. Hazard, which brought him presently before his fair Accuser, who repeated over her former Complaint before the Face of the Ossender: The Merchant at first was very much surpriz'd to find himself sent for upon this Occasion; till perceiving the Lady had so wittily couch'd her

her Accusation under such a modest Allegory, and then he thought it best to acknowledge the Charge, left, by denying it, he should provoke the Lady to give the Justice a full Explanation, of her Meaning, to his open shame and dishonour, so that he confess'd he had taken a Tenement of her upon such a Consideration as was alledg'd. But, Madam, fays he, you know there was a deep Well belonging to this Tenement, which wanted a substantial Pump, without which you are sensible the Tenement would have been of no use to me; therefore, fince I was at the Expence of putting up such. a Conveniency, I think it is but Justice that vou should make a reasonable Abatement . But, Sir, reply'd the Lady, you must consider, when you quitted the Possession, that you tock the Pump along with you; had you left the Pump standing, that I could have had the use of it when I had seen Occasion, I should now be very willing to allow any Deduction; but fince that you put up the Pump for your own. Pleasure, and carry'd it away with you when you lest the Tenement, I think it but reason I should have my full Money. Well, Madam, replies the Gentleman, because you shall bave no just reason to say, I have dealt hardly by a fair Lady, I promise you, before I part with you.

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you, to give you your full Money, and to lend you the Pump into the Bargain, provided you will take care never to abuse it: The Lady pundually promis'd it should never be the worse for her wearing. So taking leave of Sir Robert, he waited upon the Lady to the next Tavern, in order to lend her the Pump, and pay her the Money.

Thirty Thousand Pounds bid for a pair of Bandstrings; or the two precious Stones

presented to a rich Widow.

Rich old Alderman of the City of London, that dealt much in the Interloping Trade to the East-Indies, having a pretty young Gentlemrn to his Nephew, who had been bred under him; and being willing to give him Opportunity of raising his Fortune, fent him Abread in the Post of aSuper-Cargo, and withal gave him a Thousand Pounds to improve himself, with the bost Directions he could, how to manage it to Advantage: But the young Gentleman, it being his first Voyage, met with such unexpected Losses and Crosses Abroad, that he at last was forc'd to return home very Unfortunate, and was fo far from having added to his Uncle's Benevolence, that he had quite embezzel'd, not only his own Stock, but his Uncle's Cargo

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Cargo; however, making it appear to the old Gentleman, it was more owing to Miffortune than Extravagance, he was so very kind and fatherly to his Kinsman, notwithstanding his Disappointment; and having a young, brisk widow Lady, to whom he was a Cashier, and for whom he sometimes Traded, that us'd often to Dine with him, he resolv'd by a Stratagem, to try if he could not recommend his Nephew as a Person worthy of her Affections, and as a Gentleman proper to become her Husband.

Accordingly, to put his Project in practice, he provided himself with a flout Horse-whip, which he convey'd private-ly under his Cloak; and when thus arm'd for his Design, he desir'd his Nephew's Company to the Tavern, in order to take part of a small Collation. The young Gentleman, who was always ready forward to obey his Uncle, shew'd himself ready in an Instant to answer his Request. And away troop'd the old Fox, to the next Tavern, with the unfortunate Cub after him.

They were no sooner enter'd, but the Uncle desir'd a private Room above Stairs, a Quart of Claret and Tobacco, ordering B 3 the

the Drawer not to suffer any Body to disturb them in half an Hour, for that they had some particular Business together, that would at least, require that Time to

be dispatch'd in.

When all things were perform'd according to Order, and the Door shut, the old Gentleman commanded his Nephew to strip to his Shirt, that he might lee what Linnen he wore, for he had been informed he was grown fuch a nafty, loufy Sloven, that no Body would yenture to lie with The young Gentleman, mightily him. furpriz'd at his Uncle's Request, could not imagine what to think of it; at last, confidering some Body or other, thro' Prejudice, might report such a malicious Story, he resolv'd to give his Uncle the Satisfaction he requir'd, and accordingly pluck'd off his Coat and Waistcoat, assuring him it could be nothing but the spiteful Suggestion of some envious Person, who was his Enemy, and that in every Particular the Report was scandalously falle

When he was thus strip'd to his Shirt, the cunning old Sly-Boots, the better to effect his Ends, puts on his Spectacles, and fell to peeping about his Wrist-bands and his Collar

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Collar, as if, in good earnest, he had been looking for Vermine. Come, Sirrah, fays he, now down with your Breeches let me look the Wasteband, for that's the most likely Harbour to find such Cattle in. Lord, Sir, fays the young Gentleman, you command me now beyond Modesty. I tell you, Sirrab, replies the Uncle, I will see what Condition you are in, and therefore do as I bid you, or it shall be more out of your way than your Head isworth. The Nephew knowing his Uncle to be a Man of better Morrals than to have any brutish Design upon him, for fear of disobliging him, condescended to his further Request, which he had no sooner done, but the old Cuff fell to peeping in the Seams and Gathers, as earnestly as if he had no other drift, than to see if he had been Lousie; but of a sudden, as he was thus fearching, pretendly, for the Creepers, up he starts, and before the other could pluck up his Breeches, he lugs out his Horse-whip, seemingly in a mighty Pasfion; Sirrab, fayshe, let your Breeches bang. I bave heard you Whored away your Money in Spain and Italy, and that you are returned home with such a damnable Pox. That the Testimonies of your Manhood are swell' das big, Sirrab, as a couple of Norfolk Dumplins, and I am refolv'd before you stir, to know the Truth of the Matter, therefore lug out your Smock-smelling Plugtail, that I may see your Condition, or I will firk your Ruttocks with this Instrument of Correction, till I make your Teeth chatter in your Codpiece. The young Gentleman believing from his Uncle's Patson he had really heard what he told him, between Fear and Anger, gave the old Gentleman the Liberty of beholding the Premises, that his own Eyes might bear Witness of the Falsehood of these base

Aspertions.

When the Uncle had beheld all according to his Judgment, in a very found Condition. Now Nephew, fayshe, I have a mind to make a Bargain with you what shall I give for those Pair of Band-strings that Dame Nature has ty'd the bottom of your Belly with. Lord, says the Kinsman, I would not take Twenty Thousand Pounds for them, I will give thee, replies the Uncle, Twenty Thoufand Pounds for 'em, and that's more than they are worth by abandance of Money. Bless m? Sir, replies the Nephew, I would not part with them for Forty. Thou extravagant Urchin, cries the old Dad I will give thee 20 Thousand for them, and if you will not take that you may keep them. In Truth, Sir, returns

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turns the young one, not I, I would not part with one of them for the Universes Then thou may't e'en dress thy self, says the old Chap, and button up your Ware, for I shall not be your Purchaser. Pray, Sir, Says the Nephew, now your Heat's over, what is your Meaning? I am perfectly amaz'd at the Oddness of your Fancy. Hold your Tongue, Boy, cries old Crufty, and fit down to thy Bottle and Pipe, when than hast that in thy Bed, that I have in my Head, you will rightly understand my ' Meaning He then proceeded to ask his Nephew, 'What ready Money he had at his Command; who told him, 'About 50 Guineas, and that was all he had in the World. That's not fufficient, fays the old Gentleman, there a Bank Bill for 200 Pounds more; befure you to take care get your self in good Equipage and take a couple of Blacks from on board, and put 'em in good Liveries and be ready to dine with me this Day Se'nnight. Having deliver'd his Instructions, they drank their Bottle, and parted till the Time prefix'd. The old Gentleman had not been return'd Home above half an Hour, but who should step in to Sup with him, but the buxom Widow, who being very Merry

and Jocundat the Table gave the old Alderman a very feafonable Opportunity to put her in mind of Matrimony, wondering how so pretty a Lady, and so good a Fortune, could delight to spend so much of her Youth and Beauty without the Confolation of a good Husband, and withal began to speak mightily in the Praise of a jolly, handsome, young Nephew of his, who was lately come from the East-Indies, and had made so prosperous a Voyage, that amongst the rest of his Essects, he had brought over a couple of fuch precious Stones, that he himself, but a few Hours fince, had bid him thirty thousand Pounds for, but could not prevail with him to part with them, because he had some Thoughts of Marrying, could he meet with a Lady to his Mind, and that he was refolv'd to keep them for a Prefent to his Bride. This prevailing Story took the list'ning Widow presently by the Ears, who very frankly express'd herself, 'That as the Gentleman f was his Nephew, and one that she had so fair a Character of from fo worthy a Person as himself, she should be very siglad to fee him, if it were for no other HiReason, than that he was his Rela-4 sion. Toy

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Upon this Encouragement, the old Gentleman told her, 'He had engag'd his Nephew to dine with him upon that Day Se'nnight, and it she would be pleas'd to honour them with her good Company, he should think himself greatly oblig'd to her.' The Lady, upon the Alderman's Request, answer'd, 'She would accept of his Invitation.' And after she had exercis'd her Tongue with a little Female Tittle Tattle, she took her leave, resigning the old Alderman to his Ptisicky Cough, and Flannel Night-Cap.

When the Day appointed came, all Perfons met according to Agreement, and the young Spark had so improv'd his Appearance, by his Garb and Attendants, that he look'd as great as a Scotch Laird with a couple of his Clans, or Vasfals at his Elbow. The Lady, by that time Dinner was over, could not forbear fignifying, by her Eyes, her Approbation of his Person, so that by the old Gentleman's Management, and his Instructions to his Nephew, the Matter was thoroughly effected in less than a Fortnight, and the Wedding kept, tho' with some Privacy, at the Alderman's own House, where they had not Bedded above two or three Nights, but the

the Bride expecting the costly Present of those precious Stones the Alderman had told her of, took an Opportunity one Night, when she was fast locked in the Embraces of her new Bedfellow, to ask him what was become of those delicate rich Stones he had brought over with him from beyond Sea. 'My Dear, replied the Bridegroom, here they are at your Service, 'uyon my Word they are the individual Jewels my Uncle bid me thirty thousand 'Pounds for, but I would not part with them; and upon my Word they shall not be set to any Body's Ring, but thy

own. Well, my Dear, says she, tince it is as it is, I am so far from repenting my

Bargain, that now you have presented

them to me, I assure you I accept them

fo kindly, and like then fo well, that all the Money in the Universe should not

purchase them. So both Parties being well pleas'd, they lived very comfortably together.

The Scolding Wife: Or, The Husband's Comical Revenge.

A Jolly Suck-Bottle, who was unhappily decoyed into the wrangling State of Matrimony happen'd to be bless'd over the Left Shoulder, with the Devil of nt of

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to step into his Marriage-Bed, by that time Bow-Bell had proclaimed the Ninth Hour, he was sure to have his Ears tringed with such a Peal of Tongue-Thunder, more terrible to his Lungs than the Crowing of a Cock to the trembling Lyon: So that having staid one Night with some of his merry Companions beyond the Patience of his Bed-sellow, well knowing that his Bundle of Rue would be highly provoked at his Transgression, he bethought himself of a Project that might cease her Clamours, and change the surious Scene into a pleafant Comedy.

Accordingly, he provided himself with a Pound of Sausages which he buttoned into his Codpiece, and then staggered Home to his Tormentor, in order to put his merry. Conceit in Practice. No sooner was he admitted into his noisy Habitation, but he found his Teaser to full charged with ill Language, that she let fly a Vally of Rogues and Rascal at him, wounding his Reputation beyond all Patience, taxing him with the Neglect of Family Duty, crying, She was fure nothing but the Company of lewd Women could occafion thim to keep fuch unreasonable Timo(1 Hours

ches up a Knife in one Hand, and clapping the other into his Breeches cuts off one of the Saufages, and dabs it into the Fire, crying, 'He hoped now he should put an end to her Jealousy.' The frighted Wife took it to be the Testimony of his Manhood, and running to the Door, made a lamentable Out-cry among the Neighbourhood, That her Husband had murder'd himself by cutting off his Doolittle, and slinging it into the Fire. Begging them to rise, for the Lord's Sake, and to come to her Assistance.

The good Women, much alarm'd at fuch a frightful Story, whip'd on their Under-Petticoats, and Slip-Shoes, and came running with more speed than if it had been to a Labour, that in a Minute, the House was as full of Tittle-Tattles of all Ages, as if the God Priapus had creeked his Standard, and beat up for Female Voluntiers to fight under his Banner; all making their Heads, and beholding with forrowful Eyes, the little Spectacle in the Fire, hiffing, fputtering, and broiling, as if it had really been poor Pego spitting its last Venome at that provoking Sex, which had often been the occasion of his Downe

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Downfall. The good Man sitting all the while Grunting and Groaning in his Chair, as if he was just Expiring. A cunning old Matron, in the Front of the Female Affembly, mistrusting there might be some Cheat in the matter, express'd herielf to the rest of the Sister-Gossips after the fol-Come, come, lowing manner, viz. ' Neighbours, I think it highly necessary we should enquire into the Truth of ' this unhappy Business. And having spoke these Words, she pop'd her Handinto his Codpiece, where the felt the rest of the Saufages upon which the shook her Head, and fetching a deep Sigh, cry'd out, 'I vow to God, Neighbours, he has ' certainly unman'd himself, and has cut ' fo great a Gash in the bottom of his Bel-' ly, that his Guts are tumbled into his " Breches, which occasion'd the goodMan to burst into an open Laughing, at last to discover the whole Secret, that the talkative Congregation might be undeceiv'd, and return home to their warm Beds, and there with their Husbands, fall to the old Trade of Basket-making, which they accordingly did, leaving the pre-suppos'd Golding to convince his Whither do go, that he had more Wit in his Anger, than to revenge

revenge himself of an ill Tongue, by burning his Peace-maker.

The Watch-maker, and the Conftable

Watch-maker, who was much given to wind up the Strings of Life above the common Pitch, with a chearful Bottle, happen'd one Night to tarry so long over his Tipple, that the Midnight Monarch at Ludgate had got the start of him, and had refumed his Elbow-Throne before the other had quitted his Tavern-Chair; fo that having a little over loaden himself with Liquor, as he was staggering through the Gate, he had a Verbal Summons from the Watch, to reel before the Constable, who made the accustomary Enquiry, ' What occasion he could have to drink fo much, and to stay out fo Late? The Watch-maker hickuped out an Answer as well as he could, telling the Constable flatly, tho' not very plainly, 'That good Wine and good Company were the chief Motives that induced him into this Error. Pray, Friend, further added Mr. Conniwobble, of what Trade are you? A Watchmaker, replied the other. Adheart, Says

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lays his Majesty's Representative to you. Body-Guard, Suppose this Man should have a Charge of Watches about him and should happen to loofe them now he is Drunk, who knows but that he may lay them to our Charge? Then turnng to his drunken Respondent, asked him If he had ever a Watch about him? Who looking round him replyed, 'Yes truly, and a Constable too; I would the Devil had them all: Well Friend, fays the Constable, you may go about your Business, for if you have any Watches about you, I find you have Wit enough to secure them; and so Farewel to thee.

The Water Man and the drowned Dog; or, the Gentlemen cozened of his Saufages.

A Gentleman, who lived in Greenwich having Business in London, and being a great Lover of Sausages, coming by some good House-wife's House, who was eminent for making them, he surnished himself with a couple of Pound in a Sheet of brown Paper, which he designed to carry home for his own eating. When he had dispatched the Assair that called

called him to Town, he return'd to the Tower Stairs, in order to take Boat for Greenwich: When he came to the Waterfide, finding he had the Advantage of the Tide, contented himself with a Skuller. The Gentleman boarding his Wherry, fat himself down, and laid the Sausages by him; but the Paper not being ty'd, began to open a little by degrees, so that the Water-man, who was an arch Fellow, by a Glance of his Eye discover'd what his Fare had provided to regale himfelf with, but took not the least Notice of 'em, that the Gentleman might not mistrust he had any Knowledge of what was contained in his little Bundle. By and by they happen'd to overtake a huge dead Mastiff, floating upon the Water, with the Skin off, and his Flesh looked by Putrification, of as many Colour as the Rain-bow. The Waterman looking very earnestly upon the slinking Carrion, shook his Head, and scratch'd his Ears, and shew'd all imaginable Signs of his great Uneafiness; which his Fare observing, could do no less than take Notice of, asking him, 'If that Dog had ever been his, that he feem'd to ' much concerned at the Sight of him. 6 The the .

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The Waterman answered him, No, but he could heartily wish he was his now, and that he would very willingly excuse him his Fare. If he would be so kind to let him go back, and take him up in the Stern of the Boat: Z - ds, says the Gentleman he will flink so confounded, 'twill be enough to give me the Plague; besides, I cannot imagine what the Devil thou canst propose to do with Ah! Master, if I had him but in my Boat, I would defire no other Fare to Day; if my Wife had him but at home, he would be worth at least half a Piece to us. Prithee, Friend, fays the Gentleman, be so kind as to let me know what Use thou wouldest put him to; I have a great defire to be fatisfied.' The Waterman seemed very backward, telling him, 'It was a Secret, and if it should be publickly known, it would be the Ruin of his Family. The Gentleman grew still the more importunate to have his Curiosity satisfied, giving such Assurances of his Secrecy in the Matter, that in short the Waterman told him, 'His Wife made Sausages, and that she had lately found by Experience 'That Dog's Flesh, which had been

fodden about a Month in the River, after it was well cleanfed with Salt and

Water, cut in amongst her Pork, made the tenderest and best Sausages in the

World; and that his Wife, since her

Discovery of this Secret, had got such a Reputation in what she pretended to,

that she served most of the Gentry's

Houses about Greenwich.

The Nastiness of this Story, put the Gentleman into fuch a haulking and spitting Condition, as if he had been in a Salivation; that when he come to his Landing-Place, he very fairly walks out of the Boat, and leaves his Saufages behind him: The Waterman lets him pass on a little way, and then taking them up in his Hands, calls after him. 'Sir, Sir, you have left your Saufages behind you. Aye, aye, replies the Gentleman, I know it well enough, thou may't ev'n take them, and a Pox take thee; and the Devil take the Dog, for I shall 'never eat Sausages more, for sear they should be of your Wise's making. So away trudg'd the Gentleman, and lest his Supper to the Waterman.

The Distressed Seaman. Or, the Boats-Crew that Supp'd in the Whale's Belly.

the A Jolly Seaman happening into the Company of some romancing Traher ellers, very confidently affirmed this folowing Story, viz. The last Voyage, ays he, I took, was in a small Vestel, alled the Sparrow's-Neft, bound directly o Jamaica, where we lay in Harbour about fix Weeks, before we got her freightd. From thence we were confign'd back o a Merchant in London, and the Day before we fail'd, we took on Board an old Woman, as a Passenger, who, for many Years, had kept a Bawdy-House n Port-Royal, till she had successfully acand Value of 2000 l. which she had changed nin Spanish Gold, and had brought in on board with her in a small Screwtore, being very desirous of spending her latbeing very defirous of spending her latter Days in England, that, when she dyed, the might lay her Bones to rest in her own Country. We weighed Anchor with the Wind at West and by South, getting clear of the Land, without any Disficulty; and skudded merrily on till we made Cuba; the Isle of Pines, then

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then Cape Florida, and so entered the Gulph: But before we got through (as ill Fortune would have it) a Plank happened to flart, and we fprung Leak so fast, that notwithstanding ou Pumps, we had four foot Water in the Hold, in less than an Hour's time; so that we had no hopes left of faving our felves, but by taking our felves to our Boat, which accordingly we did, taking in the Compass, and such Bisket and fresh Water as we could venture to carry along with us. The old Woman begger hard that we should take in her Box of Money, which, on second Thoughts we yielded to, not knowing how useful it might prove to us, if we should chance to be driven on Shore amongst the Florida Indians We were in all but Eight Hands, besides the old Woman, who was as Penitent for all her past Crimes, as an old Thief going to the Gallows Thus, exposed to the Rage of the merciless Ocean, we depended wholly upon Providence to protect us; rowing by turns, keeping in a right Course by the direction of our Compais, having nothing but the Dread of Destruction before our Eyes,

th Eyes, left by some unexpected Miracle oug prevented. The Remainder of the Day plan we spent in Labour at our Oars, till at ag last Night drew on, having neither Ship nor Shore in fight, from whence to ex-the pect Safety; but Fortune favouring us with little Wind, and a calm Sca, we thought it necessary to refresh our Bodies with a little Rest, that we might be the king better able to strive against the Hardhappen. Accordingly we drew Lots who spec should fit at the Helm, and look out for a Sail, or awake the rest, it any Danger should arise, and who should the Lot al it fall upon but my felf; agreeably I took my Post, whilst the rest, who being much ance tired with the Days Fatigue, fell all to orida snoring in a very little Time; they had ight not long got the start of me, but I grew who fo very drowfy, that I could not forbear nodding, and at last dropped into OWS. as found a Sleep as any of them; that ercipon Death had now an Advantage to have catched us Napping. by the

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How many Hours we continued in this Silence, I cannot tell; at last one awakes, and finds it so very dark, that he could neither see Moon, Star, or Sky,

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or Boat, nor could he perceive the Boat had any rowling Motion as is usual with that he alarms the rest, who began to rub their Eyes, and endeavoured to look about them, but could not fo much as see their Hands. 'Bless me, faid I, ' It is a dark long Night. I believe we shall never see Day agatn. Another takes his Oar and claps it over-board ' W---ds, faid she, we are cast a shore in ' fome Creek, where the Tide has teft us for the Devil a Drop of Water is here about the Boat. 'For God's fake, fays the old Woman, fet me a shore, and ' give me my Box, I care not where I am
' if it be but upon dry Land. Prithee faid ' I, strike a Light, that we may see who and who's together. Which was accordingly done upon which we found our selves pent up in a little place, but where we could not think nor imagine, The old Woman feeing no Water about her was over hafty to get upon dry Land, as she thought and scrambled over the Gunnel of the Boat, at which Interim, one of the Sailors being a little more circumspect than ordinary, happened to espy the Entrails of some Creature or other hang over his Head, ' Z--ds, fays he, we are got into a Butcher's Boa Butcher's Shambles, I think for bere's a surfuel delicate Pluck bangs: We have bad no fresh be provision a good while, by my Lord and my oured Lady, I'll have a good Slice of the Liver; of so draws out his Knife, and cuts off about 2 me, Pound, upon which we were shot out as swift as an Arrow from a Bow, thro's Ano- narrow Passage, and found our selves apoard gain upon the Sea and no Land near us, re in it being of a sudden broad Day-light, ft us and the Sun almost upon the Meridian, here as we found after by our Observation. We were all strangely startled and furfays priz'd, wonderfully from whence we came and am or what Place that could be from whence faid we were ejected with such a rapid force. At last, looking round us, we espied a who monstrous Whale, which occasion'd us to ordmiffrust he had gorg'd us in our Sleep, lves and was provok'd by the Wound in his ould Liver, to throw us up again. But, as nan Fortune would have it, we brought the afty Money along with us, and left the old and Bawd behind, for the Whale to spew up , at ga at another Opportunity. ry,

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The Lover's Fortunate Adventure: Or, The young Ones too cunning for the old Ones.

A Young Gentleman of Hackney, known by the Name of Squire Suck-Bottle, made it his Endeavour to procure a Match with Sir Thomas Closepurfe's Daughter; in a little time he made a considerable Progress in his Design, and had gain'd both the Affections and Confent of the young Lady, before he had propos'd any Treaty with her Father, who hearing of the Intrigue between Suck-Bottle and his Daughter, was so highly enrag'd at his clandestine Proceeding, that he forewarn'd him from his House, and, as a more fecure Prevention of the Match confin'd his Daughter, closePrisoner in her own Apartment. The young Squire being deeply concerned at the severe Usage of his beloved Mistress, assum'd the Courage of a Roman Lover, and went at Midnight, when all things were hush and silent to Closepurse's Habitation, where by the Assistance of a Friend, he rais'd a Ladder, and mounted himself upon the Leads of the House, and knowing her Lodgings, dropp'd a Letter down the Chimney, to give

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Lady found with unexpressible Satisfaction.

According to the Time prefix'd, the Squire, with the Assistance of two trusty Friends, went in order to accomplish his Intrigue. The Engine he had prepared to shoot the Chimney, being a Rope and a Hand-Basket, by which means he was convey'd safely through the sooty Gulph, at the Bottom of which the panting Lady was ready to receive him in her joyful Arms.

The Signal to be given when his Friends should pull him up, was a Jog of the Rope Such Familiarity had already past between 'em, that they lost no Time in Courtship, but prepar'd themselves for those Joys to which they hasted with equal Eagerness. They had no sooner leap'd into their downy Elizium, but the Braces of the Ticking began to celebrate the Pleasure of the Night with their accustomary Musick, which was unhappily over-heard by her Lady Mother in the next Room, who awaking her Husband, told him, She was sure some Body was C 2

Sot to Bed to her Daughter. Upon which Sir Thomas leaps up in wonderful hafte, takes the Key of his Daughter's Chamber out of his Pocket, which he would not with with any but himself, and gropes his Way to the Door. The Lovers having done with their first Course, and being laid down to take a little Breath, happen'd to hear the old Gentleman fumbling at the Key-hole; upon which the Daughter (thro' a great presence of Mind) skips nimbly out of Bed, fets a Chair between the Bed and the Chimney, kneels down, and with abundance of feeming fervency fell to Prayers; and just as her Father spen'd the Door foftly, she was in this part of her Devotion; I befeech thee make me a Comfort to my Father's Grey Hairs, encrease his Riches, advance him to high Honour, and may be live to the Age of Methufalem. The old Dad was so highly pleased with his Daughter's Piety, and kind Supplications for her aged Father, took no Notice, and would by no means difurb her, but gently shut the Door, and return'd to his Bedfellow, giving her a sharp Reproof for her evil Opinion of their dutiful and godly Child.

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Having by this Stratagem, prevented a Discovery, the Lovers renew'd their Joys .the old Lady her Jealousie who arose and took the Key, and would go her felf to be satisfied; who enter'd the Chamber with such Silence, that the busy Lovers heard her not till the stumbled at the Chair, and by lucky Accidence fell into the Basket, which jogg'd the Rope, and gave the Signal. The Anglers above thinking they had caught the right Fish, pull'd up, the old Lady roar'd, but still they haul'd, till at last finding their mistake, took her out of the Basket in a Fit, and laid in a second Time, and drew up him they fish'd for, making all a clever Escape, free from any Detection, leaving the Matron of the Family upon the Leads, who recovering from her Fright, shook off her Trance, and making a lamentable Caterwauling, rais'd the Family to her Assistance, who were wonderfully amaz'd to find their Lady in the Condition of a Chimney-Sweeper; and the being unable to give any Account how she was convey'd thither, it was conjectur'd by her Husband, as a just Judgment to punish her evil Conception of their innocent and righteous Daughter. C 3 The

The pleasing Remange: Or, The Brewer's Son over-match'd by the Weaver's Daughter.

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Here was a rich Weaver in Spittle-Fields (which is News in the first Place, because they are generally very poor) who had but one Child, and that a Daughter. The old Gentleman, being a fat Man, was full of Drops and ill Humours, and withal very Lethargick. His Daughter being a prudent young Woman, behav'd herself with that Duty and Tenderness to her fick Father, that he could not endure to think of her Marrying whilst he liv'd, having bury'd his Wife, and could have no Body, as he thought, that would nurse and attend him with that Diligence as his kind and obedient Daughter: Who, indeed, (tho' a good humour'd Creature) was bleft with but few external Charms to render her Inviting Anarch unlucky Blade who was Son to a neighbouring Brewer, using to take Delight in Jesting with the Female Sex, pretended to Court her, and made her believe he defign'd to make her his Wife, carrying on the Matter to fo great a height, that the Morning was appointed

pointed on which they were to be Married at St. Pancras Church, he promising to meet her at a certain Hour in the Church-Yard, and to bring the Ring and License along with him; without the Fa-

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When he had thus carry'd on the Jest almost to the Period, he tells what he had done to an Acquaintance who was a Man of comely Stature, the' of mean Fortune; and knowing the was the only Daughter of a rich and infirm Parent, presently bethought himself of a probable Method of converting this Project to his own Interest but acquainted the other with nothing of his Delign for fear of a Disappointment. His Friends having told him the Morning, and the Hour; and that he intended not fo much as to meet her, but let her wait in the Fields by herself, under the Distatisfaction of so great a Disappointment: The other considering, That when Thoughts of Wedlock are once rais'd in a Woman, the revengeful Passion fuch base Usage must in all probability kindle, would so rob her of her Reason that the could not weigh Things with fuch Discretion as to withflaud his Im-C 4 portunities, portunities, so that he ventur'd hap-hazard to take out a License, and buy a Ring; and walks about half an Hour before the Time to Pancras, goes into a House, and takes up a convenient Room, where he might observe the Walks and

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According to the Time, the Maiden came, fir'd with Thoughts of that happy State into which the was about to enter; but found no Lover, as the expected, to receive her: She waited fome little Time with Patience, thinking thro' the Error of the Clock, the might be a little before the Hour. Aut by that Time she had waited sbout half an Hour, which feein'd as tedious as an Age, fhe began to show in her Face some Signs of great Disorder, when her unknown Lover thought it high Time to give the Courtship a Beginning. Accordingly he goes down to her, and courteously gives her a Morning Salutation; and tells her, He came on purpose, thro' the Respect be bad for her, to inform her how Unmanly and Base an Affront was put upon ber; which so greatly enrag'd her, that her Eyes rain'd Showers on her fnowy Breafts; Vexation having turn'd her pleasing Hopes into Sighs and Sadness, he then began

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began to express his own Affection of her, and broach by little and little his Defign, giving her all the verbal Testimonies of his Love imaginable, using all necessary Protestations to assure her he would prove one of the best of Husbands, and conform to all Things wherein she should place her Ease and Satisfaction; 'till, at last, the Maid prudently considering the Difgrace of being thus ferv'd, and what a Blot it would be upon her Reputation, when published among the Neighbourhood, confents to his Request, and they were Marry'd; the obliging him to keep filent for a Time, 'till she should take a seasonable Opportunity to pacify her Father. Then after a little Time spent over a small Repatt they parted. The first News the married Virgin heard, when she came Home, was, That her Uncle was dead in the Country, who had no Children of his own, and had left her 4001. which the Brewer's Son hear-Ing came within two or three Days to beg her Pardon; and endeavour'd to excuse the Rudeness he had committed; the feemingly forgave him, and appointed him a fecond time to meet her at the fame Place, which on his Side, was then de-C 5 figned

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fign'd in good Earnest. But to return his Kindness, she hires one of her Father's Journey-men, who was a flout Fellow to go and thrash him round the Church-Yard, as 'tis faid the Devil does his Wife in rainy Weather when the Sun shines, which the Fellow did accordingly. The Victim came running in a great Passion to his Mistress, and demanded the Reafon why she had ferv'd him so; who told him, As he went to be Marry'd, She hop'd be bad met with his Match, and so dispatch'd him. The old Man hearing the whole Story, in a little Time after, was so pleas'd with the witty Revenge of his Daughter, that he reconcil'd himself to her Marriage, and receiv'd her Husband into the House, where they all lived very comfortably together.

The Funeral of a Pig: Or, The Citizen's Son Sucking of the Sow.

A Citizen of London, whom Providence had bleffed with a fair Estate, and his teeming. Wife with a young Son the Hopes and Heir of the Family, gravely considering how far the sooty Air of the City might Influence the tender Infant with more

more than natural Dulaeis, refolved to dispose to him in the Country, under a more pure and serene Heaven. Several Visits had he made to the neighbouring Villages, and almost rid the Compass round before he could fix; either the Situation of the Place, or the freekled Complection of the Nurse, displeasing his Fancy; at last, about 10 Miles from our fam'd Metropolis, he arriv'd at a Farmer's House the Place extreamly pleafed him, nor, was the good Women wanting in the least of those excellent Qualifications he had so long industriously sought after. They presently agreed upon reasonable Terms, and the Father, at his return to London, upon his Wife's Approbation sent for the Nurse to fetch the Child.

It happened one Day the Nurse going abroad upon some more than ordinary Occasion, left the little One to the Care of a young Apprentice-Girl, who not being much acquainted with the trouble of Children, and having more Mind to go to Play, than tend the peevish Brat, which was froward for want of a Teat, she knowing noother ways to quiet it, carry'd it into the Hog's-Stye, and there laid it to Suck of the

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the Sow with the Pigs, where the left it, very well pleafed, and gadded abroad herself to find out her Companions In the Interim the Father chanced to come from London, to see how his little Son throve at Nurse, and after he had put his Horse into the Stable, went into the House, which he found empty, and coming back into the Yard, heard the Cry of a Child; for the quarrelsome Pigs, his Foster Brothers, had got away his leat; the Father following the Noise, which let him to the Hog-stye, found his pretty Bantling fucking of the Sow. Strangely amazed at this Sight, he took up the Child without any Hurt, and wrapping him in his Coat, carried him back to London, undiscover'd by any of the Neighbours. The Wench, thinking her Dame was now upon return, made hafte home, and went directly to the Sow to take up the Child, but to her Surprize, could neither find nor discover what was become of him. Not long after, the Nurse came home, who asking the Girl for the Child, the told her, When fee was gone, it cry'd so for the Teat she could not quiet it, 'till she went to the

the Stre, and laid it to the Sow, where she left it, and went about other Rusiness of the House, and going for it sime time after, the could not find it, nor imagine which way it was gone. The Nurse, in a sad Fright at this odd Account, ran to fearch the Hog -Stye, but could neither find the Child, nor one Rag of the Cloaths; she looked over all the House and Yard, but all in vain, then the went and flyly enquired of her Neighbours, but to no purpose, after all her Endeavours, she could not receive the least Satisfaction. The poor Woman, half out of her Wits, at this strange Missortune, concluded the Sow had certainly eat up the Child.

In this great Perplexity and Distress considering what was best to be done, to save her own Reputation, and conceal the unhappy Fate of her Nursery from the Parents Knowledge, she at last resolved to kill one of the Pigs, and dress it up like a dead Child, with Flowers and sweet Herbs, ready for the Grave, and send for 2 or 3 of her old Gossips, and tell them her Nurse Child died suddenly in the Nights and so bury it privately; accordingly she pursued her Project the next Day; and towards the Evening the Pig

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Thus far Nurse had succeeded in her me elign, but Conscious of her own Care- the Design, but Conscious of her own Carelesness and Neglect, which was the Occa- a s to fion of this Misfortune; she was very much troubled how to discover it to the fior Father and Mother, both paffionately loving the little Infant, and would be very much afflicted with the Death of it. Seve- fes ral Times she had intended to acquaint them with the Loss of their Child, but still put it off from Day to Day; her own Guilt, and the Indulgence of the Parents,

deterring her from it.

About a Formight after the Father fent a Letter to Nurse to come up to London, and bring the little Boy with her; glad she would have been to have excused herself from this Journey, but seeing it impossible longer to conceal it, she went accordingly. The Father meeting her at the Door, faid, Nurse, I am glad to see you; but what makes you look fo Melancholy? Why did not you bring the Boy along with you? I send for you on purpose to bring him, that I might see bow the little Rogue did? Nurse, with a deep Sigh, and watry Eyes, acquaints him with the fudden Death of the little

ittle Infant, dear to her as her own Hearts-Blood, the Father seemed above her measure concerned at this doleful News; then inviting her into the House, she gave a second Relation of this tragical Story ry to the Mother, who counterfeited a Paf-

When they all had aded over their y sorrowful Parts, under different Disguifes, the Father called for Susan to come t down and fetch a Tapkard of Ale for Nurse; and in she came with a young Child in her Arms, which Nurse carefully observing, knew to be the same she had but now reported to be Dead and Buried. The present Shame she was under for so notorious a Lye, with the Transports of a sudden Joy to see the Child, safe and well, wholly consounded her; nor had the one Thought left her to fashion the least Excuse. But after she had a little recover'd herfelf, the freely confess'd, That imagining the Child really eaten up by the Sow, the bad kill'd and bury d one of the Pigs in the Room of it, well knowing that so unbappy a Circumstance would for ever bave blofted ber own Credit, and doubled the Sorrow and Afflicted of the disconsolate Revents. But that which was most remarkable

when grown up he would never eat of Gammon of Bacon, nor any Hog's Flesh; which the Naturalists gave this Reason for; That the Saw's Milk had Curdled upon his Stomach, which occasion'd his Antipathy, tho' he ever retain'd a Smack of his Nurse and Pig's-Stye Relations, in the Boorish Manners and Conversation

The Thieves too cunning for the Bailiffs: Or, One Gang of Rogues out-witted by another.

N unhappy Gentleman, who by the A thoughtless Management, and dilatory Execution of his own Affairs, having reduced a plentiful Estate to a slender Subfiftance, and being highly in Danger of a Judgment, grip'd into the Talons of an unmerciful Miser thought the sasest Mesfures he could take, in fecuring himfelf from the ravenous Catch Pels, (those Blood-Hounds, or Jack-Calls, who hunt down the Prey for that tyrannick Beaft, a Usurer) was to quit the Town, and make a general Trial of his Relations in the Country, hoping their flowing Generality might a little repel the Current of his ebbing Fortune, which must of Necessity, prove,

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prove other vise impetuous. His Wife and a Servant he leaves in Town behind him in a House of his own very well furnished, being the only Remains of a confiderable Patrimony. He had not absented himself from Home above two or three Days, but Thirty in the Hundred, by some busy Neighbour, was ir formed of it, who went and enter'd upon his Judgment, takes out Execution and dispatches his Emissaries to the speedy Destruction of his Debtor: About this Time, fome Thieves having Knowledge of the Gentleman's Absence were contriving which way to rob the House; to accomplish which looking a bout one Evening to make their Entrance, and the careless Maid leaving open the Back-Door, whilft he step'd to the Bake-House, one of the Rogues slip'd in having agreed with his Confederates to conceal timfelt in the House till Midnight, and then to let them in. The Cunningest of the Thievies having proceeded fo far as to get safe Footing within Doors, stepp'd up Stairs undiscover'd, and hides himself in an old Chest which stood by the Bed-fide in a well furnished Chamber, which no Body lay in: By this Time the other R-s, the Bailiffs I mean, were got to the

the Fore-Door, confulting by what means they should procure Admittance to ferve their Execution (whilft the poor Gentlewoman and her Ma d were totally Ignorant of either Danger) at last they agreed one should knock, and as soon as the brin Door was open, rush in by Violence, and fecure the Door or the rest to follow, which accordingly was done, and their Office executed, to the great Affliction and Surprize of both the Miftress and her Ser vant. The Rogue who for Distinction fake, we must call I hief) above Stairs, who lay as filent in the Cheft, as a sturdy Greek in the Belly of a Trojan Horse, began to be a little startled at the forrow ful Cries and Disturbances he heard below Stairs, thinking himself now not quite le fafe as a Thief in a Mill, and opening his Iron-bound Hut (which was indeed made with a Defign to keep out Rogues, and not conceal any) he gave his Ears fach an Advantage of their Voices, that he made shift to discover by their Talk, the whole Bufiness, resolving still to execute his Roguery as successfully as the Liberty stealers had done theirs. So down again Ise he lay to confider the best means to effect en it with the least Danger. The Calmibal below

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below Stairs, according to their usual Civility, turn'd the Gentlewoman and Maid out of doors, who was forc'd to be beholden to a Neighbour for a Lodging, which these Tail-pieces of the Law, who bring up the Blace of the Law, who whish these Tail-pieces of the Law, who bring up the Rear of destruction, were devouring the Provisions of the distressed, who had nothing but Providence to trust to for their next Meat; some of these Agyptian Caterpillars at Night went Home leaving two well Arm'd to keep Possession, who about 10 a Clock went to Bed, making Choice of that Room for a Lodging where the honester Man of the three lay Buried in Antiquity, waiting with Patience for the Hour of his Resurrection. About 12 a Clock he ventures to open the Chest, as far as an Oyster does his Shell. to receive far as an Oyster does his Shell, to receive new Breath, and hearing by their Snoring, they were in a fine Condition for the Devil to fetch them, out he rises from his dark and uneasy Confines, cramp'd and crippl'd like a London Printice, just deliver'd from his Guild-ball Pennance; but flunk as bad as a dying Snuff in the Socket of a dark Lanthorn, for fear the prying Iscariots should have peep'd into his wooden Territories, knowing nothing was more

more likely, than for one Rogue to catch Con another: But being now pretty well pass he I the Danger he creeps to the Bed-side and ng fecure their Arms, which were Swords Drna and Braces of Piftols, then goes down of Stairs, lets in his Confederates, which Plain were Five more, (delivering to them the Particulars of what had past) whose first pen Business was to Tongue-tie the double. Tongued Vipers who might otherwise of he he Grass; which when they had done, by neth the Assistance of their Gags, and had est bound those unmerciful Hands which had sum drawn many a poor Wretch to Prison by whe the Collar, they ranfack'd the House, but ece Gen had so much Mercy, considering the pr. fent Circumstances of the Gentleman and our the Unhappiness of his Family, that they Mor were contented with a small Boory, con-Rela fifting only of a little Plate and Linnen, Abu which they fent off by one Man; the an interference the hard Usage and Linnen, Abu of the Gentlewoman and her Maid, took ing the two Diffurbers of Human Quiet, and and having extorted from them before. Wel

Confession of who had employed them. he Thieves, like so many Bearers carryor an Alm.-House Corps, without the Drnament of either Parson, Clark, Pall, or Relations, convey'd them to the Plaintiff's Back-loor, which, by the help of their Pick-Lock Instruments, they pen'd; and as careless as our Parochi-Supporters of the Dead gave them a of from their wearied Shoulders into he Plaintiff's Garden, instead of a more methodical Burying-Place, where they eft them as contentedly as our Corp-Tumblers do their Brethren of Mortality. when they fly from the Church-Yard to eceive the Reward of their Labour. The Gentleman having made a fuccessful Journey, happen'd to return the next Morning, and finding all things in such Destruction, conceiv'd by his Wife's Relation of the Matter, he was greatly Abused, to regulate which, he makes an immediate Visit to his Money-Lovng Creditor, (with a Sum in his Pocket o fatisfy the Judgment) who gave him furly, morose, How d' ye? For a Welcome, and afterwards took

in the Garden to Discourse their Business, this where they found the Cheft, to the great Surprize of both; upon which the Gentleman taxed him with a Confederacy in the Robbery, which the Maggots in the Nurshel hearing, made intri fuch a buftle, that occasioned a great M Surprize in both Plantiff and Defen. F. dant, who opened the Coffer, and found two naked Mutes, (who, indeed, never Adid deserve the Use of either Tongues A or Raiment) but being released from to r their Long-Sufferings, and finding where y they were, made them concur with the Girl Gentleman's Opinion; and to excuse self themselves, were ready to Swear the Mo Benefactor was actually in the Robbery; pear which the Gentleman taking the Ad-ittle vantage of, frighten'd his Creditor, ble with Threats of Warrant, Constable, bly Justice, Jury, and a Halter, 'till at last was he made him (tho' with Privacy) Conthe pound the Felony, by a General hum Release, and Satisfaction for his nary Goods. So that by this Fortunate pity Accident, and the Assistance of his General hum and the Assistance of his General humans. kind Retations, he was reftor'd to his new former the

former Prosperity, and ever since makes this the Motto of his Arms

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Intrigue upon Intrigue: Or, The Widow become Mother to ber Gallant, and the young Brother Father to the Elder.

A Brisk, airy Gentleman, belonging to one of the Inns of Courts, happen'd to make his Courtship to a rich Elderwho had a pretty young Girl to her Daughter, that thought her felf as capable of Matrimony as her Mother; when the Gentleman had repeated his Vifits often enough to grow a little Familiar, he found all the agreeable Encouragements he could reasonably expect from a Person whose Fortune was much Superior to his own: But the Daughter looking upon her Mother's humble Servant with more thon ordinary Respect, thought it abundance of pity so Youthful and so Handsome a Gendeman, for the sake of a little Moshell, should bury his Juvenile Years in the Grave of an old Woman, when he felf would be very glad to Cherish his

in the Embraces of a young One. The wh Gentleman had not long continued his Courtship, but he found sufficient Reafons to suspect, that be had not only work'd himself into the Widow's Love; but also into the Affections of the Daughter, and began to consider, that though the old Woman was much the better Fortune, yet the Daughter would prove the more agreeable Match, and that what she wanted in Fortune, would be fupply'd more to his Satisfaction by her Youth and Beauty; besides, knowing her to be the only Child, thought the must come in at last for for the Effects of the Mother, in case that he could but be fubile enough to divert her from Matrimony: Upon these Considerations, he resolv'd to alter his first Resolutions, and only for the future, to make external Courtship to the Mother, in order to procure more favourable Orportunities of bringing his real Defign the Daughter to its intended Iffue.

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After this manner he proceeded with the old Gentlewoman, till he had stolen reasonable Opportunities enough to convince the Daughter of his Affections for her, and to affure her, that he only pretended Courtship to her Mother, on purpose to enjoy now and then a lucky Moment of making known the extraordnary Passion he truly had for herself. The younger Brother, who was a notable sharp-witted Gentleman, and a very personal Man, reflecting one Morning in his Bed, upon the foul Practice of his Brother, to gain his Ends by difappointing and deceiving the old Gentlewoman, began to think it could be no Crime in himself to take the Advantage of his Brother's Fallacy, and at once to make his own Fortune, and do Juflice to the Widow without hindering his Brother from effecting his Defign upon the Daughter.

Accordingly he resolv'd to act a cun ning Part, and to neglect no Opportunity of Ingratiating himself with the Mother, that when she became sensible of his Brother's Deceit, he might be ready to supply the Disappointment by

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the Office of his own Service; which he was in hopes, if rightly manag'd, would be well accepted. The Widow, having great Confidence in the Integrity of her sham Pretender, was mighty respectful to the Young Gentleman, upon his Brother's Account, so that, in a little Time, he was as familiar in the Family, as the Daughter's Admirer, who all along made his younger Brother acquainted with

every Tittle of his Proceedings.

When the elder Brother had work'd the young Lady up to a Compliance, a License was taken out, and the Morning was appointed for the Priest to say Grace to that Love-Banquet, which both long'd for with an equal Appetite. The younger Brother was made Privy to the happy Hour, and engag'd to attend the Solemnity in the Office of a Father, which he perform'd accordingly when the Time came, and smiled in his own Sleeve, to see the matter consummated; which was no sooner over, but he made an Excuse to dispatch a little Business, promising to be with them again at Dinner.

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nourable Trick his Brother, had put upon her, and how undutiful her Daughter had been in complying to be a Partner in fo Base and Treacherous an Intrigue. The Widow, who had never fo much as fufpected the Integrity of her Gallant, was so amaz'd and confus'd at the Tydings, that for a little Time the was as stark-mad as a raving Bedlamite, till her Passion was pretty well fpent, and then the young Gentleman, to fpur on her Revenge, told her that his Brother's further Defign was to divert her, if possible, from Matrimeny, in hopes that her own Fortune upon her Death, might descend to her Daughter, so that he should become at last Mafter of all her Riches, as well as the Fortune already fettled upon her Daughter, and that this was the main Confideration that induced him to marry her Daughter, after so many Pretensions to herself. This fubtle Infinuation so inflam'd her Malice that the vow'd, rather than they should be one Shilling the better for what she had, she would marry a Cobler or any Rakehell, that the was fure would spend it every Groat. To which replied the young Gentleman, Madam, a Person of your Worth, Comeliness, and Discretion, can

can never have Occasion to dispose of your felf to either a mean Man, or Spendthrift; could you conceive me to be a Person worthy of so great a Happines, as fo good a Wife, I should think it a Bleffing to my felf and Family, that you would give it into my Power, to repair that Injury and Dishonour which my Brother has done you; and I affure you further, Madam, that if you make me your Husband, it will prove a revenge upon him, a Bleffing to me, and I promise you, I will do all that in an honest Gentleman lies, to make it a Happiness to your self. Well says the old Gentlewoman, lest Time and Delay should make you prove as great a Knave as your Brother, I will feek out for no other Husband nor need any farther Courtship; but in the revengeful Mood I am now in, I will run this Minute headlong to be marry'd. The young Gentleman express'd his utmost Joy for her sudden Resolution, so immediately order'da Coach to be call'd, and away they went, first to take out a License, and then to be marry'd the very same Morning, and at the same Church, and by the same Minister who had joined the former Couple. As foon as the Ceremony was over, the young

young Bridegroom, by the Confent of the Bride, order'd the Coachman to drive to the fame Tavern where the treacherous Pair had provided their Wedding Dinner, and in they pop'd upon them just as the first Dish was brought to Table; the Daughter was ready to faint thro' Fear, her Bridegroom bit his Nails thro' Madness; the Mother upbraided the quondam Lover with Baseness, her Daughter with undutifulnes; the elder Brother tax'd the younger with Treachery, whilst the greatest Winner smiled in his Sleeve, to think, that at one luckyHit, he had made his Fortune. When their Passions, as well as their Victuals, were grown presty Cold, the youngest Bridegroom, who was a Man of Eloquence, made a pleafant Speech, that unriddl'd the whole Mystery, and went so far in the Reconciliation of all Differences, that they fat down to their Viduals, and made one Dinner ferve for both Weddings ; the elder Brother at last submitting to call the younger Father, and the Mother acknowledging the Elder to be her Son: So that by the help of Mirth and Wine, they became all Friends; and each lived comfortably for the future with their own proper Mates, and in process of Time, hammered D. 21 101 0000

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The Dying Wife's Revenge: Or, the Husband

paid in bis own Coin.

Farmer's Wife, falling dangeroufly Ill, was very importunate with her Husband that he would grant her the Liberty of making a Will to dispose of her wearing Apparel. The good Man, that his Wife might go out of the World with a safe Conscience, feemed very willing to comply with her Request; and that the might be fure every thing should be bequeathed according to her Defire he offered to Pen the Will himself according to her own Directions: She thank'd him heartily for this last Kindness, acknowledging how good a Man he had always been to her, and hoped he would ever Prosper when the was under Ground, for his loving and tender Ulage, both to her, and her Children; and fo begg'd him to fetch Pen, Ink, and Paper, and she would give him Instructions: Away went the good Man, at his Wife's Request, to muster up the Materials; but, before he returned, had the Wit to consider it was a hard

hard case that her Cloaths, which were very Near and Good, should be given to a Parcel of Gossips, away from her own Children; and withal formed a Project, as he thought, fo to deceive his Wife, that she might die in Peace: and yet save her Apparel from the thankless Hands of a Parcel of Tipling Tittle-Tattles: When he had thus prepared himself, he returns with the Scribbling Implements to his Wife's Bedfide, defiring her freely to impart her Mind, promiting, that all things should be performed accordingly; upon which she began her Instructions after the following manner, (viz.) In the first Place, I give unto my beloved Friend and Neighbour Goody Blowzen, my High-Crown'd Hat, and best red Petticoat, for the has been always ready to go and come upon all occasions to me and mine. The good Man inflead of mentioning the Benefit, Writes Tittle-Tattle for that, and then desir'd his Wife to proceed. In the next place fays sh, I give and bequeath to my Gammar Dowdy, my Wedding Gown and Smock, for she is a merry Dame, and has made us all law h at many a Junket. The good Man writes again, Tittle-Tattle for that, and then defires

the next Item. Laftly, fays fhe, I give and bequeath my preat clasp'd Bible, and my Whole Duty of Man, to my Dame Cantwell, for she is a religious Woman, of whom I have learned more good over a Jug of strong Beer than ever I did of the Parson for all the Tythes we have given him; and that is all Husband, I defire to dispose of from you. Very well, replies the good Man, and instead of the last Irem, fets down Tittle-Tattle for that. Well, Wife, fays he, now all things are order'd according to your Mind, I hope you will die fatisfy'd. Yes, yes, faid fhe, I thank you my dear and loving Husband. I blefs G-d I can give up my Ghost with peace of Conscience. Pray stick the Will up in the Window, and then you may go and Fodder the Cattle. The good Man, according to his Wife's Direction, left the Paper in the Window, and after he had given her a comfortable Word or two, away he went about his Business No soonwas his back turn'd, but in came one of her Gossiping Legates to pay her a vifit, who entering the Chamber, thus accosted the Sick Weman, viz. How d' ye now, Neighbour? I hope by the Grace of G-d, you find your felf on the mending Hand. No, truly Dame, answers the dying

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dying Gammer, I am not a Woman for this World; I find by the weakness of my Lungs, and the faintness of my Speech, I have but a short Time to tarry among you. But, however, as you have been my good Friend and Neighbour, I have left you something to remember me when I am gone: My Husband, whom you know has always been a kind and a loving Man to me has given me leave to dispose of my wearing Cloaths among you, and has writ my Will with his own Hand, yonder it flicks in the Window. Neighbours you, I know, can read written Hand; if you please to look in it, you may fee what aLegacyI have left you.

With that Gammer Dowdy open'd the unlucky Testament, and discovers the Waggery. Alas! Neighbour says she your Husband has only jested with you, he has writ down nothing but Titletate the for that, Tittle tattle for that, and Tite the tattle for that. Has he served me so, cries the sick Dame, now I am going out of the World; Pray, Neighbour, stick it up where you found it; I hope for all this, to live long enough to be even with him. Pray Neighbour, leave me a little to my self, for I expect my

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Husband in every Minute, and I have fomething to fay to him, that is not proper for any Body to hear. So the Gossip shed a Tear or two at parting, and according to the other's Request, took her leave for the present. By and by in comes the good Man, and hobbling up to the Sick Wife's Chamber, ask'd her how she did: who answer'd as if she was just expiring, 'Oh, very bad, not a Woman for this World, and therefore the had two or three dying Requests to him, which the hoped he would particularly observe when fhe was gone to her laft Home. Yes, that he would, to be fure, he most faithfully promis'd, ' defiring her to speak her Mind freely, that he might know what they were. In the first Place fays the, I would have you to take particular Care of Son Robin, and bread him up to Reading and Writing, that when he is a Scholar good enough, he may be bound Apprentice to a Mercer; and as for my Son Ralph, I would have you breed him up to your own Bufiness, Husbandry; and as for my Daughter foan, I would have you to keep her at Home to milk the Kine, and look after the Dairy; but as to the Red-headed Girl (whom fhe

the knew to be her Husband's Favourite, I say, as to her, you need not take much Care, because —— Because what, says Roger, in a mighty Passion, why not take Care of her? Because, replies the dying Dame, she's none of yours; Adsheartliwounds, cries Roger, none of mine, you wicked Baggage you whose is she then? Tittle-Tattle for that Knave, Tittle-Tattle for that Knave, Tittle-Tattle for that Knave,

Thus we may see at the last Gasp of Life.
How sweet Revenge is to an angry Wife.
If once they're injur'd, slighted, slaw'd, or shaw'd.
When dying they'll requite u, the' they're damn'd.
Therefore forbear to wen them, for we find,
Like bees they wound, and lave their sting behind.

The Physician's Receipt to cure a Welshman of a Fever: Or, to kill an Englishman with the same Medicine.

A Gentleman of Wales, coming fresh off the Mountains to visit London, happen'd upon change of Air, to fall dangerously ill of a Hectick Fever An English Physician being immediately sent for, found his Condition to be very dangerous, and presently dorder'd him such proper Medicines as are usually administred in such Cases, but all to no purpose; for the Distem-

Distemper prov'd so very rebellious, that norwithstanding the Doctor proceeded according to the best of Judgment, yet all the Physick he prescrib'd him, was wholly ineffectual, till at last, the Patient was reduc'd to fo low a Condition, that the Doctor, tho' a skilful Man, quite despair'd of his Recovery, so told the Nurse privately, That be had done the utmost, according to the Rules of Art, and that all bis Visits and Prescriptions for the future would be of little use to the Pa ient, so that be would now give him up to the Goodness of God, and the Care of her (elf; for be could not conceive it was in the Pewer of Physick to fave bis Life, therefore advis'd ber to deal gently by bim, and deny bim nothing be cou'd eat or drink, that those few Moments be bad to frend in this World might pass away under the less Uneasinis; so took leave of the Nurse, and away he went. No sooner had the Doctor given the Nurse this Liberty, but as foon as his Back was turn'd, she began to fondle her dying Patient, and begg'd him to think of something or other that he believ'd he could eat or drink, and let it be what it would the would get it him presently; at last he lifts up his languishing Eyes, and staring

ring her full in the Face, cry'd out as loud as he was able to speak, Toasted-Cheese. With that the ran in all hafte to the next Chandler, nothwithstanding she thought it strange Food for a dying Man, in a Fever, yet she resolv'd he should have it; and accordingly bought a Pound of good old Cheshire, and cook'd it so agreeable to her Welsh Patient's Tooth, that he ear it up every Bit, to the Nurse's great Astonishment. She then ask'd him, 'What he thought he could drink? He told her then, with a much stronger Voice than before, 'A Gallon of Leek-Portage. The Nurse finding the Toasted-Cheese agree so well with her Patient, ran immediately to the Hert-stall for a bunch of Leeks, and brew'd him up a Gallon of Welck-Caudle presently, which, as soon as it was cool enough for his Pallat, he drank off, and then turning his Face from the Light, compos'd himself to Rest, and flept heartily till the next Morning. and when he awak'd, was so extreamly mended, that the Nurse had great Hopes of his Recovery. In the Afternoon, the Doctor happening to come. that way in his Coach, gave a Look up at the Chamber, expecting the dead

dead Signal, that is, 'The Windows to be open, but finding them flut, stopp'd his Coach, and step'd up Stairs to fee how Matters went and coming into the Chamber, found the Patient he had given over but the Day before, to great Admiration getting out of his Bed. The Doctor was perfectly amaz'd at this unexpected Sight, and enquir'd of the Nurfe, What strange Meafures the had taken to recover him? Who very readily told him what an unaccountable Refreshment she had given him. Nurse, says the Doctor, very gravely smelling to the Civer-Box of his Ebbony-Cane, 'You have done very well: Pray let him have more Toafted-Cheefe, and more Leek-Porridge, and I will call again to morrow, and fee how it agrees with him. The Patient liked it so well, that as often as they repeared it, he was willing to take it, till in a little time the Welfhman was throughly recover'd, upon which the Nurse was well paid, and the Physician had the Reputation of a very wonderful Cure.

In a little Time after this miraculous Success, the Doctor happen'd to have an English Patient exactly in the same Condition; that by all the Rules of

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Art, by which he govern'd his Practice, he could not administer one Medicine that would abare the Diftemper: At last, calling to mind what a wonderful Cure the Nurse and he had so lately preformed, by Toafted Cheese and Leek Porridge, not knowing but there might be fome Occult Quality in the one or the other, more than Physicians were acquainted with, he resolv'd to make Trial of their Vertues a second time, and accordingly directed the Nurse to administer them to the Patient, whom the Doctor declared was absolutely past Recovery by any other Means. The Nurse thought it strange Advice from a College Physician; but however, it being his Directions, the was resolv'd to observe them; and accordingly provided a plentiful Plate full of Balfamick Cheshire, toasted focundum Artem, which with much ado, she perswaded her Patient to fwallow, after much kecking, and to take a hearty Draught of Leek Pottage after it, to help Digestion. No sooner had the feeble Patient forc'd down both his Doses, but he turned his Face to the Wall, and instead of going to fleep, in less than a Quarter of an Hour he made his Exit; The Doctor

Doctor coming the next Day to enquire after the Success of his new Medicament, looking up for the old Signal, found the Windows wide open, by which he presently understood, without farther Enquiry, what Condition his Patient was in; so, altering his Course, plucks out his Pocket Book, and in it makes this Memorandum, Toasted-Cheese and Leek Pottage, a certain Cure for a Welshman in a Fever; but present Death for an Englishman Probatum of.

The wilful Drunkard; Or, The Shoemaker make a Cuckold by the Devil.

A Jolly Crispin having a confounded Scold to his Wife, happened to come Home one Night, at a late Hour very much troubled with a drunken Vertigo in his Noddle: He had no sooner enter'd the Shop, but his Angry Helpmate, in a mighty Passion for his Offence, began to spirt out such proveking Messes of maundering Broth, in the very Teeth of her Por-Valiant Spouse, that he swore, Since he could not be quiet at Home, he would return from whence he came, and spend the rest of the

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the Night, where he could be more eafy. She still persisted in her termagant Spirit, and very aggravating Words were tofsid backwards and forwards, till at laft the Difference grow too great for any prefent Reconciliation. A Chimney-Sweeper coming by, who had pawn'd his Brocms for an Evening's Draught, over-hearing their course Compliments, flood a little under the Eves to liften to the Fray. The Shoe-maker at last grew fo highly enrag'd, that he swore he wou'd go out again; and wrenching open the Door, in spite of his Wife's Resistance, out he went, and away he stagger'd, she bawling after him in these Words, viz. Go and be bang'd you Rogue since you will go, and may the Devil go with you? The Chimney-Sweeper, when he heard the Door open, skuttled away a little before the Shotmaker, and stept up into an Alley till Crispin was gone past him; then flinging his footy Sack which he had upon his Shoulder, over his Head like a Hood, that he might make the more unufual Figure, he trudg'd after the Shoe-maker, till he got just upon the Heels of him. Crispin hearing some Body come rattling after, faced abour, and

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and by the Light of the Stars discovered a strange black Monster just at the very Nose of him. Who are you? fays the Shoe maker. The Devil, cries the Chimney-sweeper. Pray Mr. Devil, says Crifpin, What want you with me? Tour Wife fent me after you, cries the Chimney-Sweeper, to fetch you Home. Home cries Crifpin, Pray, Mr. Devil, to which Home, your Home, or my Home? To your own Home, answers the Chimney-Sweeper. Then by all the Shoes in my Shop, fays Crispin, 1 will not go, except you will first carry my Wife to your Home, and then I'll go Home trefently. Done says the Chimney-Sweeper, stay you bere 'till I return, and I'll pack ber off for you instantly. Done, cries the Shoe-maker, do you perform your Work, and Ill perform my Word. Away runs the Chimney-Sweeper, to the Shoe-maker's House in St. Martins, knocks at the Door, to which comes the Wife in her Smock, expecting it was her Husband; the Chimney-Sweeper, for fear of frighting her, presently discovers himself, and tells her what a Trick he had put upon her Husband, and upon what Errand her Spoule had fent him; and that if the would but first let him make him

a Cuckold, he would engage to make him a good Husbaud for ever after: Upon this Condition the Wife confented and the Business being done with a Jerk, he gave her Directions how the should manage the Matter, and returned again to the Shoe-maker, who waited with great Impatience to hear the Success. Wells, fays Crispin to the Devil, as he thought, bave you done the Bufiness? Ay, Ay, says the Chimney-Sweeper, effectually, therefore make beste Home, for I forgot to sout the Door after me. How did she behave ber self, says Crispin, did she not scold damnably? Confoundedly cries the Chimney-Sweeper; she has already put Hell in an Uproar, and bow long we shall be able to keep ber there, the L -d knows. Wounds, fays the Shoemaker, good Devil keep ber now thou baft ber, for if you let ber come back again, I shall certainly bang my felf. So bidding each other Farewell, away went Crispin with great Joy to his own House, where the Door was left on a Jar, and the Wife flood hid in a Closet above Stairs, according to the Chimney-Sweeper's Directions. Crifpin, when he had made all fast, took the Candle and went up to Bed, pleafing himfelf with the Thoughts of

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of the great Kindness the Devil had done him, and sitting himself down on the Bed-side, began to undress, making himself merry with a piece of an old Ballad which he thought very applicable to his present Happiness, viz.

I value not Silver or Gold.

Now I'm rid of a troublesome Evil,

My Wife was a damnable Scold.

But now she is gone to the Devil.

Upon these Words our bolts his Wife upon him from the Closet, with her Hair about her Ears like a Pury, and her Smock as black with the Chimney-Sweeper's finugling her, as if herfelf had been the Devil, crying out, Too Be jus Rogue, I defy the Devil and all bis Wols. I will make you know, Sirrab, there is me ner a Devil in Hell can mafter me, if I am fet on't; you may fee by my Pickle, 1 was fored to firuggle bard to overcome Satan, and since I have conquer'd the Devil, I am resolv'd I will master you. The poor Shoe-maker, in the midst of his Jollity. was so sadly Cow'd at his Tormentor's Appearance, that he was forced to cry Peccavi, and acknowledge his Wife to be so good a Woman that the Devil could have

have no Power over her; so upon Crispin's Submission, his Tongue-ceasing Fury put on a clean Smock in order to invite her cozen'd Cuckeld to the butter'd Bun which the Chimber-Sweeping Devil had left him for his Supper, and then tumbled into Bed, where all past Differences were reconciled by the matrimonial Peace-Maker.

The Comical Exchange: Or, a Fire-Ship inflead of a Maiden-Head.

Country Gentleman coming up to Town, happen'd to take a Lodging in an Aporhecary's House; where he had not resided above a Week, but being an amorous Sark, he fell deeply in Love, as he pretended, with the Apothecary's Maid, improving all Opportunities that offer'd, in hopes to Decoy the Girl into the like Affection, that their Defires might be mutual. But the Wench being as Cunning as the was Pretty, was very cautious how the gave him Encouragement, because she had good Reasons to believe. from his manner of Courthip, his Defign was only to debauch her. After he had try'd, for fome Time, all the foothing Means imaginable, to bring

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bring her to a Compliance, but still found her Virtue so impregnable, that all his Solicitations to that End, were repuls'd with such a modest Contempt, and virtuous Desiance, that he grew almost hopeless of obtaining his Desires; yet at last resolv'd to try Love's powerful Expedient, Gold; and if he found he could not purchase a Surrender upon reasonable Terms, then to break up his Siege, and utterly desist making any surther Essorts, but for the suture look upon her

as Unconquerable.

If pursuance of his Design, the next Opportunity he had, he renewed his Amours, and to firengthen ber Belief of the wonderful Passion he had for her, he told her, What mighty things be would do for her, if she would but condescend to oblige him with her Favours; and as a present Eurnest of bis sincere Intention be would prefent ber with that little Purfe of Gold, wherein there were ten balf Guineas, upon Condition she would but promise to be kind to bim. The Girl, wanting no Wit, answer'd him, Since she was not " be won with Love, the was not to be furchas'd with Money, and the he was but in the mean Gircumstances of a Servant, yet she sbank'd

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thank'd God, the bad Honesty enough to resist such a powerful Temptation. The Geneteman finding the would not (wallow the Bait upon any such Terms, press d her to keep them a Day or two to consider of it, in hopes, when she had once had the handling of the glittering Bribe, she would rather submit than return it. With much difficulty he at last prevail'd upon her to receive the Gold, with a promise to give him her Answer the next Day, whether she would heal those Wounds which her Eyes had given, or not.

It happen'd, about two Days before, a young Lady of the Town, who had fired her Tail by an immoderate Refignation of her Favours, had privately taken a Lodging in the same House, that the Apothecary might repair her damaged Carcass with a gentle Salivation; which the Wench knowing, and perceiving Madam to be a proper Person to manage the Intrigue, she acquaints her with all that had pass'd between the Gentleman and her, except the little Purse of Gold; and told her, That if she would but be so kind as to change Beds with her for one Night, they could put a presty Trick upon the

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the Gentleman, who was a Rich Country Curmudgeon, and would prove a fat Pa-tient to ber Mafter, who, she was sure, would be well pleased with the Project, and would use her the more kindly for being an instrument in procuring him so prositable a Patient. The Lady, who, ever fince she was able, had been a great Lover of Intrigue, very readily consented. Upon this, the Girl afterwards carry'd her felf towards him with a little more Freedom than ordinary, and after he had press'd her to a Compliance with a strenuous Repetition of his former Arguments, she at last feem'd, tho' with a blushing Countenance to acquiesce with his Desires, telling him, That she Lodged just over his Head, and if she could oblige bim with any thing that he thought worth coming up so bigh for, it should be at his Service; but withal, defir'd bim to come up in the Dark, for fear a Candle should glance through some of the Key-boles of the Doors, and cause a D scovery, for that she would have a Light by ber Bedfide ready to receive bim, but begg'd bim not to venture till be was sure all the Family was in Bed He promised her punctually to observe her Directions, and down Stairs the wen

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Went about her Bulinels, leaving her Spark under an inexpressible Satisfaction for he mighty Conquest as he rhought he had To happily gained over fuch a pretty Tano-The Maid as well pleased as her cent. Lover, foon found a convenient Opportunity to communicate how far she had proceeded to her Lewd Agent, who was glad to revenge herfelf of that ingrateful Sex, who had brought her Youth and Beauty into so miserable a Condition and shew'd herself so very forward to play her parr, that the pleasing Foresight she had of the Deceit, gave her Fancy a Titula-About Ten o' Clock at Night the Lady berook herfelf to the Maid's Chamber, and the Maid retir'd to Mis's Apartment. When all Things were hulh'd and filent, and a proper Season for the En-joyment was at hand, Madam, by joggling the Chair by the Bed-side, gave the Gentleman beneath Norice, that his dear Beloved, as he thought, expected his Company; he presently slips on his Gown, and opening his Door with as much Cantion as a Midnight Thief, by fost and gentle Steps he makes his Approaches towards his Happiness, Miss lying all the while very circumspect to watch his Entrance, who

at last came sliding in at the Door as filently as a Shadow: Upon which Phillip immediately pops out the Candle giving him no more time to look about him, but just to see where the Bed stood, lest he should discern the Difference. No sooner had he fumbled his Way into Love's Paradice, the Bed, but being ready cock'd and prim'd, he began to be mighty bufy about the Maiden head, which his experienced Bed-fellow managed with fuch Subtilty that he made no Scruple of his being the first Sinner that ever jogg'd on that untrodden Way: Her Whispers were fo foft that her Voice was undiscoverable. and her Deportment fo very coy, and yet inviting, that he did not at all question but that was the Beginning of her Corruption. The Spark, proud of fo glorious a Conquest, repeated over his Joys with abundance of Vigour, 'till at last he had so exhausted his Spirits, that he began to tug at the labouring Oar, which his Bed-fellow finding, entreated him in a fost Whisper, to turn to his own Bed whilft the Family were dead in Sleep, left by some chance Blunder on the Stairs, if he staid while they were more wakeful, it fhould give Caufe of Sufpicion. He having already glutted himfelf

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himself with the forbidden Fruit was glad to take her Advice, that he might come off with flying Colours, lo gave her a parting Kife, and went groping his Waydown into his own Chamber. Phillis was fo highly pleased that the Project had succeeded so well, that she could not seep for langhing in her Sleeve, to think how the had pepper'd off the Spark, and made him a Parener in her Affliction. A little before Day-light, Madam steals down to her own Bed, and tells the Maid how luckily every thing had been carry'd on, according to both their Wishes. The Wench, after her Ears had been tickled with a lushious Account of the whole Proceeding, advanc'd to her own Room, and bout the usual time of her rising, came down Stairs; and upon the first Opportunity she had, acquaints her Master with the whole Incrigue. Truly, fays the Matter, I must need commend thee both for thy Wit and thy Honefty; for fince be could not be content without a Whore, I think thou didst well to deceive him by one that was a Whore, but however, fays he. to prevent a Noise in the Hourse, I would advise you to go into the Country to your Mother, till I fend for you up again, and let none of the E 2 Esmily

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Fimily know any thing of the Matter, and let me alone to managethe Bufinels for the future. The Maid was very glad to take her Mafter's Council, and packing up a few Necessaries, went privately into the Country. The Gentleman wonder'd that all the fucceding Day he could not fee his Love as he us'd to do, the next Day came, and when he called for any thing, up came a fort of a Chair-Woman; as foon as he had dreft himself, down Stairs he comes into the Shop, expecting to fee her frisking backwards and forwards as he used to do, thinking that her Modesty might make her ashamed to look him in the Face, conceiving that to be the Reason the would not come up Stairs to him. By and by in comes the Master, and after they had bid one another Good-Morrow, Lord, Sir, fays the Apothecary, I have bad one of the oddest Things bappen'd in my Family, that bas perfectly amazed me! What is that? Cries the Gentleman. Hannah, the pretty Wench, replies the Apothecary, shat was my Servant, is gone from me four accountably, that I am afraid the poor Girl is some to some Mischies; she went out it seems Testerday Morning, and bas never been beard of fin:e, I am afraid the filly Creature was in

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Love, and by some Means or other has made away with ber self. This unaccountable News nettled the poor Gentleman fadly, who was apt enough to think the Wench. (reflecting upon the Sin and Folly the had committed over Night) might be induced to do something or other that might be the Occasion of her Ruin. This past on for three or four Days, rill at laff, the Fire which lay fmothering in the Gentleman's lower Apartment, began to break out with most aftonishing Violence: No sooner had he found that the had burnt his Pore, but he prefently concluded that to be the Caufe of her running away, and that instead of a Ma den-bead, the had given him for his Five Guineas, a confounded Clap; he thought he could not be too early with fuch a Diftemper, and prefently communicates his Condition to the Apothecary telling him. That Modest Mrs. Hannah bad done him that Pice of Service, and that now the Cause was plain why she left bim so abruptly. The serious Fundament-Peeper made a mighty Wonder at these Tydings, declaring what a politive Opinion he had of her Vertue; But, fays the Doctor, I find we are all Adam's Children, and must bave a Bite at the Forbidden Fruit as well as our E 3 Parents.

Parents. So taking the Gentleman under his Cure, he made a fine Penny of his Country-Chub, e'er he dispatch'd him out of Town; Cured his Pemale Patient upon easy Terms of her Civility; and then recalled his Maid Hannab into her Old Service.

The Dead Man's Resurrection: Or The Judge Buried alive in bls own Cellar.

NE of the Judges in King Charles the Second's Reign, being in the long Vacation at his Country-House in Helfworth in Suffolk, happened upon too ferious a Reflection on some little Juvenile Miscarriages, to fall into a deep Fit of the Hypocondria, infomuch that he fancy'd himself to be dead, and was so very obstinate under the Influence of his whimfical Diftemper, that he would not be perfuaded to ffir Hand or Foot, or receive any manner of Sustenance, but by Force, till he had brought his Body into fo low a Condition, that had a lighted Candle been in his Belly, his Sides would have proved as transparent as a Lanthorn: In this stubborn Frenzy he lay upon his Back, stretched out at his fulf Length, like a Corps, and as motionless as

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a Stone Figure upon an old Tomb, neither his Physician, nor his Family knowing what to do with him. A famous High German Doctor coming into the Town, attended with a Pack of Fools and Rope-Dancers in order to pick the Country Peoples Pockers of a little Money, hearing of so eminent a Person under this unaccountable Indisposition, took an Occafion the first time that he mounted his publick Theatre, to mention this Matter to his Country Chubs, who were giving great Attention to all the Lies he could mafter up to his Advantage, telling them, Their Country Physicians were all Fools, and that the Judge was only troubled with the Mulligrubs; and that if his Lady would fend for him, he would undert ke to bring him to his Speech, fet him up n his Legs, make him walk, talk, eat, arink, pifs, for—
or do any thing in four and twenty Hours time, or elfe be would defire nothing for his Trouble; This large Promise of the Mountebank was foon communicated to the Judge's Lady, who being a tender Wife to her Husband and willing to try every thing that might do him good, sent immediately for the Dutch Tooth-Drawer, to confult him about the matter; who told her politively, He could

could focu cure him, if she would promise be should have a Hundred Guineas Reward, provided be bad Leave without Interruption, to do as be should think fit. The Lady affured him, he should have all the Liberty he defird to work the Cure, and the Reward he asked when he had performed it. Both Paities being agreed, the Doctor sent his Man for a Joiner and a Coffin; as foon as the one had brought the other, up Stairs they went; for the Doctor would not fee his Parient before he had got his Tools ready. When every thing was in order, in goes the Doctor and the Lady, the rest tarry'd without till call'd for. No sooner had the Doctor cast an Eye upon his sullen Patient, but that he cries out to the Lady, Lord, Madam, what makes you find for a Physician to a Dead Man? For Shame keep bim not above Ground any longer. Upon my Word, Madam, be bas been dead fo long that be stinks again, and if you don't bury bim quickly, the very Scent of bis Corps will breed a Plague in your Family. I have bad a Coffin in the House some time, reply'd the Lady, but was loth to have him buried too foon, for fear be should come to Life again. By all Means, says the Doctor, let it be brought in, and order him to be nailed up with all Expedition.

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dition. Pray, Doctor, fays the Lady, do you flay a little in the Room, for fear the Rats should knaw the Corps, and I'll step and order some of my Servants to bring in the Coffin presently The Patient heard all this, but was still too humourfome to break his Silence, by and by comes the Lady, and her Servants a ter her with the Coffin, who fet it down by the Bed-fide, and then wrapt their Master up in a Couple of warm Blankets, and into the Coffin they very orderly laid him, put on the Lid, and made a hammering over his Head, as if they were nailing him up: He endur'd it all without either Word or Motion, and when he was enclos'd, they order'd the great Bell of the Church to ring out, that he might think they were bearing him to his last Home, the Grave; instead of which they carry him down into his own Wine-Cellar, where they fet fome Body to watch by him, till a good Supper was got ready; in the Interim the Doctor order'd his Lady, and her Servants, so to disguise themselves in Winding-Sheets, and such like Dreffes, that would best represent a Parcel of Ghofts or Spirits, the Doctor making one amongst them: When they were thus equip'd, the Doctor led the Van of thefe ES HobHob goblim, and into the Cellar they went, where they altered their Voices as much as possible, and fell into a merry, extravagant Char, concerning the Affairs of the Upper World, rattling the Bottles and the Glasses, extolling their Happiness after Death, and drinking to the Remembrance of those Friends they had left behind. The Cloth being laid, in a little time down came Supper, which they fell to with all the seeming Jollitry imaginable.

As they were thus merrily eating and caroufing: " What's the Matter fay the Doller, with that melancholy Ghoft, that he does not rife out of his Coffin? He has been among us this Fortnight, and has not yer gave us any of his Company : Sure he is fadly tir'd with his Journey out of the other World; for he has a plaguy long Sleep after it: Prithee awake him, and ask him to ear a Bir with us, for he has had no Refreshment since he has been in Eli-- zim: With that one of the most frightful of the Spectres, with a Taper in his Hand, opens the Lid of the Coffin, and hollows in his Bars, Mag-Damnum, Huggle-Duggle, Depary-Governor of the lower Regions, defires your Companyto Supper with him. Upon which be railes

raises his Head to the Edge of the Coffin. and beholding fuch a Parcel of frightful Fir gures feeding as heartily as formany Ploumen, Pray, says le do dead Meniear? Aye, and drink too, says the Doctor, or or how should they live? Then, faysthe Judge, if eating be the Custom of this Country, I will make my Refurrection, and pick a Bit with you. So they tent him a Hand, and conducted him to a Sear at the Table. Truly, fays be. I am very glad to find that dead Men live fo merrily: Well may we live fo merry, cries the Dollar, for we live better here without Money than a Man in the other World can for 1000 k. a Year; for in shore we have every thing and that for nothing. The Judge who was a great Lover of a little Shoulder of Mutton; which his Lady remembring, had got one ready at the Fire, asked them, If the Country afforded any Mutton? The best replies the Doctor, in all the World; here fetch a hot Shoulder prefencly; which, by one of the Ghostly Attendants, was done immediately; at which mexpeded Sight the Judge was fo well pleased, that he fell too, and eat heartily. When Sup+ per was over, they drank a chearful Glais to the Memory of all their particular Friends over their Heads, till at last the Patient

Patient fleing much weaken'd with his long Fafting) grew very fuddled, fo that they turn'd him again into his wooden Territories, where he foon fell into a very found Sleep; during which time they carry'd him up into his own Room, and put him again into his Bed, where he refted very well, and his Lady with him, till the next Morning about Day-ight, and at laft, waking, he began to look about him, very strangely surprized, which the Lady perceiving, cry'd. Prichee my Dear, what's the Matter with thee? Lord, Love, fays he. Art thou there? Where are we? In your own Bed, replies the Lady, in your own Chamber, in your own House: Where do you think we should be? Then fays the Judge, I have had one of the unaccountable Dreams that ever was heard on. And falls to repeating over all he had feen over Night: Poh, fays she, never mind such idle Whimsies, but think of what you can eat for Breakfaft. So, up gets the Lady, and provided him fomething that was comfortable, and from that time he was recover'd of his Melancholy; fo the Mountebank had his Reward, and the Judge fat up+ on the Bench for feveral Years after.

Renfon's quite lost, where Melancholy rules, The wifest Men, we see, sometimes are Fools,

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## POEMS on several Occasions.

To the Dutchess of B \_\_\_\_ n, on her remaining in the Country this Winter. By Dr. Garch.

To Druids leave the Groves, to Nymphs the In Pensive Dales alone let Eccho dwell, — [claims, And each sad Sigh she hears with Sorrow tell; Haste, let your Eyes at 'Kent's Pavillion shine, It wants but Stars, and then the Work's divine. Of late, Fame only tell of yielding Towns, Of raptive Generals, and protected Crowns: Of purchas'd Laurels, and of Battles won, Lines forc'd, Stars var quish'd, Provinces o'er-run, And all Al de's Labours sum'd in one.

The Brave must to the Fair now yield the Prize, And English Arms submit to English Eyes: In which bright List among the first you stand, Tho' each a Goddes, or a Sunderland.

\* A Gallery the E Kent bath built at St. James's.

Were making Legs, and begging Places.

And fome with Patent, some with Merit,
Tir'd out my good Lord——'s Spirit.

Sneaking I stood amongst the Crew,
Desiring much to speak with you.
I waited till the Clock struck thrice,
And Footmen brought up forty Lies:
But Patience vex'd, and Legs grown weary,
I found it was in vain to tarry;
And did opine it might be better,
By Penny-Post to send a Letter,
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Now if you miss of this Epistle, I'm baulk'd again, and may go whiftle. My Business Sir, you'll quickly guess, Is to defire some little Place: And fair Pretentions I have for't-Much Want, and very small Defert. I ne'er writ to you but I wanted. I've always begg'd, you've always granted. To my old Custom still I'm true, For God's Sake don't you get a new. But as you took me up when little, Gave me my Learning and my Victual: And fill equipp'd me with Things fitting, Kind as I'd been your own begetting: Corfirm what formerly you've given, Nor leave me now at Six or Sever. As S has left Mount S-No Family that takes a Whelp. When first it laps, and scarce can yelp, Neglects, or turns it out of Gate, When once 'tis grown to Dog's Estate: Nor Parish, if they once adopt The helples Barns by Strolers dropt, Leave them when grown up lufty Fellows, To the wide World, that is, the Gallows ; No thank them for their Love, that's worse Than if they'd throatl'd them at Nurse, \* My Uncle, reft his Soul, when living, Might have contrived my means of I having Taught me with Eyder to replenifh My Fats, as ebbing Tides with Rhenish; And when for Hock I drew prick'd White. Wine, Swear't had the Flower, and that 'twas Right-wine, Or put me with Seven Pounds to Furne mino 1 had val's-Inn to forme good Rogue Atterney tound it was in vain to tarte 2 Vintner.

med Wit ordine is night to Lenter, By Persy-Polt to find a Latter,

Where then by forging Deeds, and Cheating, I had some handsome Way of gerting. You made me leave all this to follow The fneaking Whey-fac'd God, Apollo, Or Folks I'd never feen or knew, Callinge, and God knows who; To add no more Invectives to it. You've spoil'd the Youth to make a Poet. In common Justice, Sir, fure no Man E'er makesca Whore, but keeps the Woman. And amongst all honest Christian People. Whoe'er breaks Limbs, maintains the Cripple, The Sum of all I have to fay, Is that you'd put me in some Way, And your Petitioner shall ever pray, There's functhing more I had almost slipt, But that will do as well in Poffcripe. My Friend C\_\_\_\_ M\_\_\_'s preferr'd, Nor would i have it long observ'd, That one Mouse feasts, and t'other's stary'd.

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Since this has been Authentick Truth. By Age delivered down to Youth : Tell us, mistaken Husband, tell us, Why fo mysterious? Why fo jealous? Does thy Restraint, the Bolt, the Bar. Make us less Owners, the less fair? The Spy, who does the Fair-One keep, Does she ne'er say her Prayers, nor sleep? Does she to no Excess incline? Does she fly Musick, Mirth and Wine? Or have not Gold, and Flatt'ry, the Power, To purchase one unguarded Hour? Your Care does further yet extend. That Spy is guarded by your Friend: But has that Friend no Eye nor Heart? May he not feel the cruel Dart? Which foon or late all Mortals feel: May he not with too tender Zeal. Give the fair Prisoner Cause to see How much she wishes she were free? May he not craftily infer The Rules of Friendship too severe. Which chain him to a hated Trust, Which makes him wretched to be Just? And may not she, this Darling she, Youthful and healthy, flesh and Blood, Easy by him, ill us'd by thee. Allow this Logick to be good?

But how shall she that Mind convey;

I lock her fast, I keep the Key; The Key — hole——Fool, take that away.

Dear angry Friend, what may be done, Is there no Way? There is but one. Send her abroad, and let her see That all this mangled Mass, which she, Being forbidden, longs to know, Is a dull Farce, an empty Show, Powder and Pocket-Glass, a Beau. A Steeple of Romance and Lies, False Fears, and real Perjuries.
Where Sighs and Looks are bought and sold, And Love is made but to be told; Where the fat Bawd, and lavish Heir, The Spoils of ruin'd Beauties share; And Youth feduc'd from Friends and Fame Must give up Age to Want and Shame; Let her behold the Frantick Scene, The Women wretched, false the Men; And when the certain Ill to shun, She would to thy Embraces run, Receive her with extended Arms, Seem more delighted with her Charms: Wait on her to Park and Play, Put on good Humour, make her gay; Be to her Vertues very kind, Be to her Faults a little blind; Let all her Ways be unconfin'd. And clap your Padlock on her Mind. M. Brown's Petition to the Lords Juftices, wh n he was Prisoner for m iting a Lampoon on the French King, Soon after the Peace of Ryswick. ( Hou'd you order Tom Brown To be whipt thro' the Iown, For feurvy Lampoon, Tate, Southern, and Grown, Their Pens will lay down; Even

Even Durfey himself, and those merry Fellows, Who put all their Trust in Tunes and Twangdillows, Must hang up themselves, and their Harps on the (Willows:

For if Poees are punish'd for libelling Trash, Jail Derden at Fifty may yet fear the Lash : No Pension no Praise. All Birch, and no Bays, These are not right Ways Our Fancies to raise, To the making of Plays; Or Prologues fo witty, That jerk at the City; And now and then hit Some Friend in the Fit. So hard and fo pat, That he hides with his Hat His monstrous Cravat. The Pulpits alone Can never preach down The Pops of this Town, Then pardon Tom Brown, And let him write on ; Or, if you are willing to convert the poor Sinner, His foul railing Mouth you may stop with a Dinner, Give him new Cloaths, some Meat, and much Drink, Then keep him close Prisoner without I'en and Ink. And your Pet tioner Shall ever pray, &c,

The Whim; Dedicated to the two Puppit Kings, &c.

Idits pretty Things, and quaint Device,
Of tiny Children, when void of Vice;
When Soul, that Particle Divine,
Does but like Farthing Candle shine;
While Maid does hold the filly Taper,
Enwrap'd in Lanthorn made of Paper;
Which to but just Discernment brings,
Nor shews the Disserence of Things.

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o glimmers the young dawning Soul, of Nature's pretty little Fool Therefore, as Cassocks say, 'Tis thought, Whate'er it does can be no Fault. fay, midst Pleasantries of Child. Little Machines, and Actions wild. of Cards I've feen the Bauble take A superannuated Pack: The Diamond's fully'd, and the Spade, By frequent Use, now dirty made; And only fit to entertain. Pretty Conceits of Infant Brain, Which scarce as yet within the Skull, s grown to half a Saucer full. When Card by Card the Oaf does take, Father, look here, what I can make. And then to work he Arait does fall, To frame some small Escurial, Some Minor Pauls, or tiny Coloss ; But Oh, the dismal Fare that follows! First then he for Foundation lays A Row of Kings, a Royal Race: By them the Sex that's fair and tender, Their Spouses of the Feminine Gender; The Queen of Hearts the brightest shone; And now the Edifice goes on. The Mob with Clubs and Spades are laid, Those dy'd the other into Red, But highest of all a Pack of Knaves, The Babe too naturally heaves; Just as in Fortune's Scales we fee Rogues mounted to Supremacy; There many Pams win all, each takes The Coin, and fweeps away the Stakes. Well, now the Structure rifes, and In gay Sublimity does stand, Emblem of Artificial Hand,

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But ah, the Fate! when just at Roof, Behind comes a malicious Puff, And down the Gugaty Piles do fall, As future Pauls e'er Doom's-day shall, E'en fo with small Things great compare, Lewis the Proud is nought but Air; With those that form'd his Grand Delign, So close, so exquisitely fine; Richelien the Leider, Mazarine, Louvois, and Crofty, and Forbine; None with the nicest Subtilty, Could ought that was milled, defery Yet all their mighty Projects die. Twas though a fine, yet airy Web, The Torrent now begins to ebb: And now the Louwer and Verfailles. Th' Escurial too, that Spanish Pauls, Shake at great Eugene's Name and Sword, Who's fending them another Lord, And's like to puff the Babel down, The little Boy that wears the Crown. With Grand Papa wou'd fain aspire High as the German Bird, and higher ; For see the Spanish Phaeton, That dwells i'th' Regions of the Sun, Has got his Leave of Gallick Sire To go and fet the World on Fire. Well, drive on, Coachman and take care, To fet down, not bring back your Fare. The Don Monsieur, the Spanish Beau, When he comes near the fatal Po, May curse old Daddy's Alex Vous.

A Prologue designed for Tamerlane. Written by Dr. G.

O Day a mighty Hero comes to warm
Your curdling Blood, and bid you Britains arm,
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To Valour much he owes, to Vertue more.

He fights to fave, and conquers to restore;
He strains no Text, nor makes Dragoons perswade,
He likes Religion, but he hates the Trade;
Born for Mankind, they by his Labours live,
Their Prosperity, is his Prerogative.
His Sword destroys less than his Mercy saves,
And none, except his Passons, are his Slaves.
Such, Britain; is the Prince that you posses,
In Council greatest, and in Camp no less,
Brave, but not cruel, wise without Deceit.

In Council greatest, and in Camp no less,
Brave, but not cruel, wise without Deceit,
Born for an Age, cur'd with a Bajazet;
But you distaining for to be secure,
Ask his Protection, and yet grutch his Power.
With you a Monarch's Right is in dispute,
Who gives Supplies are only absolute.

The Play-House. A Satyr.

To pick up Cullies to increase their Stock;
A lofty Fabrick does the Sight invade,
And stretches round the Place a pompous Shade:
Where sudden Shouts the Neighbourhood surprize,
And thund'ring Claps and dreadful Histings rife.

Here thrifty R—hires Monarchs by the Day, And keeps his mercenary Kings in Pay; With deep-mouth'd Actors fill their vac int Scenes, And drains the Town for Goddesses and Queens. Here the lewd Punk with Crowns & Scepters grac'd Teaches her Eyes a more majestick Cast; And hungry Monarchs with a numerous Train Of suppliant Knaves, like Sancho, starve and reign.

But enter in my Muse, the Stage survey, And all its Pomp and Pageantry display, Trap-doors and Pit-falls from th' unfaithful Ground, And Magick Walls encompass it around: On either fide maim'd Temples fill our Eyes,
And intermix'd wish Brothel-Houses lies.
Disjointed Palaces in Order Rand,
And Groves obedient to the Mover's Hand,
O'er-shade the Stage, and flourish at Command,
A Stamp makes broken Towns and Trees entire.
So when Amphion struck the vocal Line,
He saw the spacious Circuit all around,
With crowding Woods, and neighbouring Citie crown'd.

But next the Tiring-Room survey, and see
False Titles, and promiscuous Quality,
Consus'dly swarm from Heroes and from Queens,
To those that swing in Clouds, and fill Machines:
The various Characters they chuse with Art,
The frowning Bully sits the Tyrant's Part.
Swoln Cheeks, and swaggering Belly, make a Host,
Pale meagre Look, and hollow Voice, a Ghost.
From careful Brows, and heavy down cast Eyes,
Dull Cit, and thick-skull'd Aldermen arise.
The Comick Tone, inspir'd by F————r, draws
At ev'ry Word, loud Laughter and Applause.
The mincing Dame continues as before,
Her Character's unchang'd, and acts a Whore.

Ahove the rest, the Prince with mighty Stalks, Magnificent in purple Buskins walks; The Royal Robes his haughty Shoulders grace, Profuse of Spangles and of Copper-Lace. Officious Rascals to his mighty Thigh, Guiltless of Blood, th' unpointed Weapon tie. Then the gay glits'ring Diadem put on. Pondrous with Brass, and sear'd with Bristel Stone. His Royal Consort next consults her Place, And out of twenty Boxes culls her Face: The Whit'ring first her Ghastly Looks besmears, All pale and wan, the unfinish'd Form appears;

Till on her Cheeks the blushing Purple glows, And a false Virgin Modesty bestows. Her ruddy Lips the deep Vermilion dyes, Length to her Brows the Pencil's Touch supplies, And with black bending Arches shades her Eyes. Well pleas'd, at length the Picture the beholds, And spots it over with artificial Holds. Her Countenance compleat, the Beaux she warms, With Looks not her's, and spice of Nature, charms, Thus artfully their Perfons they disguise, Till Fidlers Flourish bids the Curtain rise; The Prince then enters on the Stage in State; Behind, a Guard of Candle-snuffers wait; There swoln with Empire, terrible and fierce, He shakes the Dome, and tears his Lungs with Verse; His Subjects tremble, and th' submissive Pit Wrapt up in Silence and Attention fit, Till freed at length, he lays afide the Weight Of publick Bulinels, and Affairs of State: Forgets his Pomp, dead to ambicious Fires, And to some peaceful Brandy-Shop retires, Where in full Gills his anxious Thoughts he drowns, And quaffs away the Care that waits on Crowns. The Princess next her painted Charms displays, Where every Look the Pencil's Art betrays: The callow Squire at Distance feeds his Eyes, And filently for Paint and Patches dies. But should the Youth behind the Scenes retreat, He'd fee the blended Colours melt with Heat, And all the trickling Beauty run in Sweat. The borrowed Visage he admires no more, And nauseates every Charm he lov'd before. So the same Spear, for double Force renown'd,

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Apply'd the Remedy that gave the Wound.
In tedious Lists 'twere endless to engage,
And draw at length the Rabble of the Stage:

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Where one for twenty Years has given Alarms, And call'd cortending Monarchs to their Arms: Another fills a more important Post, And rifes every other Night a Ghost; Thro' the clift Stage his meagre Face he rears. Then stalks along, groans thrice, and disappears. Others with Sword and Shield, the Soldier's Pride More than a thousand times have chang'd theirside And in a thousand fatal Battles dy'd.

Thus several Persons several Parts personm,
Pale Lovers whire, and blust ring Heroes storm,
The stern, exasperated Tyrants rage,
'Till the kind Bowl of Poison clears the Stage;
Then Honours vanquish, and Distinctions cease,
And with Resuctance haughty Queens undress:
Heroes no more their fading Lawrels boast.
And mighty Kings in private Men are lost:
He who such Titles swell'd, such Powers made proud,
To whom all Realms, and vanquish'd Nations bow'd,
Throws off the gawdy Plumes, the purple Train,
And is in Statu que himself again

A Prologue: Spokeh by Mr. P.-n, Supposed to be press'd and haul'd in before the Curtain by a Couple of Press-Constables

E L L, Master Constable, I must, you say, Go kill French Cowards for a Groat a Day; Bul why such rugged Violence as this? D'ye break Mens Noddles to preserve the Peace? Truly, rough Sirs, I cannot think 'tis fair. To turn pacifick Staves to Clubs of War: 'Tis truly you have made me by Experience know, Power, when provok'd, can give a deadly Blow. I'm press'd, you say, but I believe oppress'd Yet Wrongs like these are hard to be redress'd; And the first speedy End proves always best,

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# Poems on several Occasions.

The readiest Way's to bribe off my Restraint, Here, Gentlemen, I know what it is you want.

The Constable takes the Money, and goes off.

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Your Servants, Sirs, by this the World may fee, Hou scoundrel Knaves abuse Authority. Chose into Power from Garrets. Bulks and Stalls, Advanc'd to Staves from Thimbles and from Awls, From vamping Shooes, and mending knitty Jackets, To cheat the Crown, and pick the Subjects Poekets.

The Weak they haul to Arms because they're poor, Unfit by Nature for the Toils of War; But quit for Bribes the Hardy and the Strong, Protect themselves, and do their Betters wrong; Surprize the Fearful, squeeze them till they bleed, And when their Palm is daub'd, the Vagrant's freed, Whilst more industrious Men supply their Room, Whose Hands would prove mone useful here at home. Thus by ill Usage many Feuds create, Oppress the People, and deceive the State: As for my part, I am unskill'd in Jars, And hate the Tragick Scenes of bloody Wars: You, Gentlemen, who wait to see our Play. All know my Talent lies another Way: I am a Soldier for the Queen, adsheart, One Clap of Train'd-Band Thunder makes me starts I'd fain be reconcil'd to Death, but can't, The very Thoughts of fighting makes me faint. Not but I know it is of great Renown, To serve our Native Country, or the Crown: Besides, with rural Damsels, I confess, A scarlet Coat is a most glorious Dress. The very Colour dazzles Female Eyes, And takes the Heart unguarded, by Surprize; You, who with Honour wear it, often find, It makes the bashful Country Maid prove kind:

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Who could perhaps before resist Love's Pow'r, And keep her Heart in all Attacks secure; Laugh at her Lover's Sighs, despise his Tears. But Venus must submit when Mars appears

Faith, now I think on't, I can tell you how.

The State might quickly raise brave Men enow;

Would they but find some gentle means to press.

Those charming Ladies, who our Audience grace;

Should such bright Stars in the next Campaign ap
(pear,

You generous Gentlemen assembled here, Would need no Press, but all run Volunteer. Such beauteous Troops new Wonders would af-(ford,

And varquish with their Charms beyond their Sword.
You only, (Ladies) so divinely bright,
Who wound with Mercy, conquer with Delight,
Can the vast Glories won at Hockstedt blast,
More Captive take, subdue with greater Haste,
And with your Eyes gain mightier Vict ries than
(our last.)

## Enjoyment the End of Love.

O, no, 'tis not Love, you may talk 'till Doom's-If you tell me it's more than meer Satisfaction, I'll never believe a Tittle you say,

Tho' Baxter and Oats were the Heads of your (Faction,

The Poets were therefore a Number of Owls, To make such a Stir with a Baby-fac'd God; Tis only Priapus that scares the wild Powls, That rules with a far more Scepter-like Rod.

Tis true, he may fometimes be shrewdly put to't;
But the Bow and the Arrow are surely his Due;
Only thus, when his Arrows are ready to shoot,

They make the more pleasing Wound of the two. 'T was

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cours on leveral occupions. Twas he that was the Father of all the Graces, For he's the Beginning and End of our Wooing; Your Smiles and your Glances, and wanton Grimaces, They all too but end in Handling and Doing. When a Man to a Woman comes creeping and cring-And founds his Raptures on her Nose and her Eyes, Tis Priapus inspires the talkative Engine, And all for the Sake of her Lilly-white I highs : Hence they that in Face find Coral and Rubies. Pearls, Diamonds&Gold, more bright than the Sun, Notwithstanding all this, these Poetical Boobies, Despise all that Pleasure, if further she's none. Your Oaths, Protestations, and Vows to the Dame Ask Solon, Lycurgus, both learned and smart; They'll tell you the Place from whence they all came Is half a Yard almost below the Heart, There's nothing but Vertue the Object of Love, Not Beauty, nor Colour, Love minds in the leaft, They're only the Objects of Pleasure, by Jove; Where the Altars desire, Priapus High-Priest. Now if she be rich, 'tis the Portion you'd have ; Or a Coach and fine Cloaths her Love to encou-But alas! if either do either deceive, (rage: Love presently cools like a Mess of Peas.pottage. Then if this be your Love, the Devil take Love, When Self-satisfaction is all the Design; But let me love that which all Men approve, An Angel in Purse, and a Glass of good Wine. The poor Layman's Resolution in difficult Time!. L'L in Amaze at what is past, I stood (good, Doubting within myself, what's bad, what's Surpriz'd at this fo strange and sudden Turn. At which such Numbers joy'd, so few did mourn: Where am I now? thought I, What have I past So long in Truth's plain path, and now at last, After After a Race of Fifty Years and more, Doubt that same Truth that good Men own'd before, Away, away -

That Lawful Kings God's own anointed are, And have from him those Royal Crowns they wear, From him their Sceptre, and from him their Sword Are Truths dispers'd throughout the facred Word. That calls them Gods, and bids us them obey. And all due Rev'rence to their Perfons pay, That bids us not relift, and if we do, De lares we break those Laws we should pursue; If Kings command what's ill we must in short, Not do't, because 'tis ill. but suffer for't,

Now tell me, learned Guides, if this been't true, And if it be, what will become of you? Your Reverend Clergy, who hath heretofore With the same Doctrines made your Pulpits roar, And boldly to the World in Print made known, That 'tis the Scripture's Sense, as 'twas your own, Your own, 'till that furprizing Turn of State Happen'd so much to England's Toy of late. Your own, till that new Trial came, and then, Though call'd Divines, you shew'd yourselves but

(Men; When you like Truth's bold Champions should have (Rood,

And to the last those facred Truths pursu'd; How tamely you the Holy Cause for fook, A.A. And taught new Doctrines from the felf-fame Book. Good God! What Fears, what Thirle of Wealth on nichim sait (will do?

Even among such Holy Men as you. Poor me! What shall I do? What shall I fay?

Where shall I go, when these our Guides thus Aray? long in Truth's plain path, and now at last,

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But Heaven be prais'd, they are not tainted all, Some yet remain that have not bow'd to Baal, Whose Praises for a Muse more losty call, But let thhm stray that will, I'll keep the Road, And tread the Steps our late Foresathers trod; I'll sear my God, honour my Queen or King, And meddle not with those that Changes bring. Fix'd on a Rock, I'm sure I firmly stand, Let Storms now rage by Sea, or War by Land. Here then I'll fix, here shall my Centre be, And let the World turn which Way 'twill for me, Lord, keep me, for I wholly trust in thee.

On the melting down the Plate: Or, The Silver Piss- Pots Farewel.

Aids need no more their filver Pis-pots scowr. They now must jog like Traytors to the Tower, A quick Dispatch, no fooner are they come, But every Veffel there receives its Doom; Condemn'd by Law to take this fiery Trial, A Sentence that admits of no Denial. Presumptuous Pisspot, how didst thou offend? Compelling Females to their Haunches bend; To Kings and Queens we humbly bow the Knee, But Queens themselves are forc'd to bend to thee. Make the Maids cringe, and with a straining Face, They cease their Griefs by opening their Case: In Time of Need they do thy Help implore, And oft to ease their Ailments make thee roar. Under their Beds, till now, thou hast been conceal'd, And no'er but on Necessity reveal'd. When over-charg'd, and in Extremity, Their dearest Secrets they disclose to thee. Long like a Prisoner halt thou been confin'd, But Liberty for thee is now defign'd, Thou

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Thou whom so many Beauties have enjoy'd, Now, in another Use must be employ'd: Be handed with Delight about each Day, And occupied a far more decent Way. But crasty Workmen must thee first refine, And purge thee from the Sodder and the Brine. When thou'rt transform'd into an ther Shape, 'Twill make the World rejoice at thy Escape. Who from the Mint in Triumph shall be sent, New coin'd and mill'd to every Hearts Content. Welcome to all then proud of thy new Vamp, Bearing the Pass-port of the Royal Stamp, You'll pass as current, pleasant, and as free, As that which has so oft pass'd into thee.

A Satyr against Brandy.

Arewel damn'd Stygian Juice, that doth bewitch

From the Court-Bawd, down to the Common (Bitch)

Thou liquid Flame, by which each fiery Face Lives without Meat, and blushes without Grace: Sink to thy Native Hell, to mend the Fire; Or, if it please thee to ascend yet higher. Go to that dull lewd Clime from whence you came Where Wit and Courage do require your Flame, With

Where they carouse in your Vesuvian Bowls, To dry the Quagmire of their spungy Souls. Had Dives for this scorching Liquor cry'd. Abraham in Mercy had his Suit deny'd. Had Bonner known the Force, the Martyr's Blood Had fift in thee, and fav'd the Nation's Wood, Essence of Embers, Scum of melting Flint, With all their Nature Sparkles floating in t. Sure the black Chymist with his Cloven Foot, All Ætna's Simples in one Limbeck put, And double-still'd, nay, quintessenc'd thy Juice. To Charcoal Mortals, for his future Use. Fire-ship of Nature, that doth doubly wound, For they that grapple thee, are burnt or drown'd: God's past and suture Anger breaths in you A Deluge, and a Conflagration too, View yonder Sot, I don't mean Sheriff Shute, Griffed all o'er by thee from Head to Foot; His greafy Eye-lids for'd above their Pitch : His Face with Carbuncles and Rubies rich: His Skull, instead of Brains, supply'd with Cinder; His Nofe turns all his Handkerchiefs to Tinder; His Stomach don't contect but bake his Food : His Liver ever vitrifies his Blood: His Guts from Nature's Drudgery are freed, And in his Bowels Salamanders breed; His trembling Hand scarce heaves the Liquor in:

His Nerves all crackle under his Parchment Skin; The moving Glass-house lightens with his Eyes, Singes his Cloaths, and all his Marrow fries; Glows for a while, and then in Ashes dies.

But stay, lest I the Saints dire Anger meri:

By striking their Aux liary Spirit;
I am inform'd, whate'er we Wicked think,
Thou'rt reform'd, and turn'd a godly Drink:

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Thou'st left thy old bad Company of Vermin,
The swearing Chairmen, and the drunken Carmen;
The soul-mouth'd Drivers of the Hackney Coaches,
And now tak'st up with sage discreet Debauches.
Thou freely drop'st upon Gold Chains, and Fur,
And Sots of Quality thy Minions are;
No more shalt thou soment an Ale-house Brawl,
But the less sober Riots of Guildhall;
Where by the Spirit's fallible Direction,

We Reprobates once poll'd at an Election.

If this Trade hold, What shall we Wicked do?

The Saint sequester, even our Vices too.

But fince the Art of Whoring's grown precise, And Perjury has got demurer E) es:

'Tis Time, high Time to circumcise the Jill,

And not let Brandy be Philistine still.

On a Bowl of Punch. A Poem by Capt. Ratcliff.

HE Gods and the Goddesses lately did feast
Where Ambrosia with exquisite Sauses was
The Eatables did with their Qualities suit, (drest,
But what they should drink did occasion Dispute:

Twas Time that old Nectar should grow out of
(Fashion.

For that they drank long before the Creation.

When the Sky-colour'd Cloth was remov'd from

For the Christaline Bowl great Jove gave the Word, This Bowl was of large and most Heavenly Size, In which they did use Infant Gods to paptize. Outh Jove. We're inform'd they drink Punch up-

Quoth Jove, We're inform'd they drink Punch up-(on Earth,

By which mortal Wights quite undo us in Mirth: Therefore our wife Godheads together let's lay, And endeavour to make it much fronger than they. Twas spoke like a God--- Fill the Bowl to the Top, He's cashier'd from the Sky, that shall leave but a Apollo

Apollo dispatched one of his Lasses,
A Pitcher to fill at the Well of Parnassus;
To Poets new born, this Liquor is brought,
And this they suck in for their first Morning's
(Draught.

June for Limons sent into her Closet,
Which when she was sick the infus'd into Posset:
For Goddesses may be as squamish as Gipsies,
The Sun and the Moon we find have their Eclipses;
The Limons were call'd the Hesperian Fruit,
When vigilant Dragon was set to look to't.
Three Dozen of those were well squeez'd into Water,
The rest o'th' Ingredients in order came after.

Venus the Admirer of Things that are sweet Without whose Insusion there had been no Treat, Commanded her Sugar-Loaves white as her Doves, Supported to the Table by a Pair of young Loves, So wonderful curious these Deities were, The Sugar she Arain'd thro' a Sieve of fine Hair.

Bacchus gave Notice by dangling his Bunch, Without his Affistante there could be no Punch; What he meant by the Signal was very well known. So they threw in two Gallons of trusty Langoon.

Mars a blant God, tho' the chief of the Biskers, Was feated at Table, still twirling his Whiskers; Quoth he, Fellow Gods, and Cælestial Gallants, I'd not give a Fart for your Punch without Nantz. Therefore, my Boy Ganymede, I do command ye To throw in at least two Gallons of Brandy.

Saturn, who of all the Gods was the oldest, And we may imagine his Stomach was coldest; He out of his Pouch did three Nutmegs produce, Which when they were grated were put to the Juice.

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Neptune this Ocean of Liquor did crown, With a Sea-Bisket bak'd very hard in the Sun.

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The Bowl being firish'd, a Health was began, Quoth Jove, let it be to our Creature, call'd Man: 'Tis to him alone that these Pleasures we owe, For Heaven was never true Heaven till now.

Written by a French Protestant, upon the Trophies marching thro' the Giry.

Is a very fine Sight, I myself will allow it, And am heartily glad I'm alive here to view it. And what are become of those brave Men of Might, Who supported these Standards and Colours in Fight! Why truly, say you, they are most to be found, Gone to sleep on the cold Bed of Honour, the Ground. E'en there let them lie undisturb'd in their Slumber, I am very well pleas'd I am none of their Number. Tis true, for their King and their Countrymens Good Their Colours, we see, they have stain'd with their (Blood:

Yet I am not vex'd there is none of mine there,
'Cause I never could find I had any to spare.
To part with my Blood, is to part with my Life,
I had rather by half lose my Children and Wise:
For he's the most prudent that always takes Pains
To preserve it within its own Channels, the Veins.
That old English Proverb I wisely rely on,
A living Dog's better than any dead Lyon.
For when a Man's kill'd to his Country he's lost,
And signifies then not so much as a Post;
Then who that has Brains would appear such a Sot,
As to have them knock'd out for he does not know
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Tis true, when we're gone, it perhaps may be said, We were brave, but that's nothing to him that is (dead.

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I bless my kink Stars I am posted so safe,
That whilst all Countries fight, I can work on and
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From the Tyrant of France we remain here secure, And England wont trust us in Arms to be sure. Therefore I in Quiet can rest in my Bed, Whilst the Subjects of France do in Numbers lie

And the English are haul'd to be knock'd on the (Head.

Upon a Mercenary Lawyer. A Poem Cunning Lawyer that hath Wit at Will, Can make a bad Cause good, and a good one ill, The Golden Fee alone is his Delight, 'Tis that which tempts him to oppose the Right, And with learn'd Arguments the Wrong embrace, To give an unjust Cause a righteous Face. Justice he baffles by his powerful Sense, And gains upon the Bench by Eloquence. Confounds the Court by some mysterious Querk, And leaves both Judge and Jury in the Dark; Justice he staggers, and can prove by Law, That undisputed Right that has no Flaw, Without Possession, is not worth a Straw. As Times do change, fo also do our Laws And what was good may prove an unjust Cause.

### For Instance.

Should some bold Rebel over turn the State,
To raise himself into the Royal Seat;
And Treason prosper, as in Cromwell's Case,
All Thirgs in Course should have another Face.
Should Hobb's Principles of Power and Might,
Be allow'd a standing Rule for Legal Right,
Then Law and Gospel we may bid Good-night.
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When Nature is revers'd, and in a Word, All Truths are measur'd by the longest Sword, Jure Divino is not worth a T——d.

Cook's charging Charles the First with trayt'rous

(Crimes,

Was in Compliance to those pious Times,
'Twas for my Fee, said he, why try'd for Treason,
That made me plead against both Law and Reason,
He only as a Council in the Cause,
Did for his Client strive to strain the Laws.

Tho'Princes and People of three Kingdoms bleed, What is't to us how Matters do succeed? Gold is our God, and for own God we plead. Great is Diana, chaste, and all divine, Demetrius cry'd, that made the Golden Shrine, By that he got his Wealth, and it is plain. Those Gods are most ador'd that bring most Gain. Wealth's the World's Idol, to it all Nen bow, And if we gain it, 'tis no Matter how.

Should an Act pass to cancel all our Creed, What sable Crowds for such a Law would plead, Provided in the Case we were well see'd.

For Right and Wrong are always understood,
To be or not to be for publick Good;
He never yet was wrong that did prevail,
And none was ever right that chanc'd to fail;
For 'tis a Rule in Law, That Power and Might,
Are the best Judge of Wrong and Right;
For they can crush Mankind into Obedience,
And quite transfer our Faith and true Allegiance,

The Priest's Tythe-Pig, with what we call a Fee, Is much the same, so they as well as we With this Eternal Maxim do agree. When Kings and Things are chang'd by Providence, Now Law is binding in the Scripture Sense, But Subjects may with sacred Oaths dispense.

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So fays a Cafuistical Divine;
And in that Issue by Consent we join;
Let who will get or lose, so we are paid,
For both Professions are become a Trade.
And him we follow most, and most believe,
That has the greatest Cunning to deceive.
Therefore since Lawyers plead, and Parsons cant,
On any Side that best supplies their Want.
I'd have the greedy World think wisely of it,
And always hug the Cause that brings most Profit,

# Epigrams and Whims.

A Prophese Written by a certain Knight.

When I ukesbury Mustard shall travel abroad,
And die in a Lahd without Magpy or Toad;
And the Sauce of the Veal, joining three to a Lyon,
Shall devour a Fish, the Pig-nag of Arion.

The Lillies shall try to swim over the Ferry,
Where they shall be met with, and drown'd by a

(Cherry.

The Children of France, with Famine opprest, Will rejoice at a Crust, as a Man at a Feast.

The Answer. Suppos'd to be writ by Mr. D\_\_\_n.

When the last of all Knights is the first of all (Knaves, And the best of all Pimps is the worst of all Braves; When a Coward is Dubb'd for not Fighting but (Feeding.;

And a Lubberly Brute is preferr'd for his Breeding, When a Medal and a Chain is bestow'd on a Hog, Who deserves more a Rope than ever did Dog; When Prophesies are coin'd by a drunken Bussian, Whose chief Talent lies in a harmless Lampoon;

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When a black Rod is given to a bold brazen Face, What Beast may not hope at White-Hall for a (Place)

Then England beware of the Conduct of France, Lest her Dauphin should lead the Lyon a Dance, And her Children shall laugh that her Breast is so

Whilst thy proud Navy. Royal lies sucking a Bull.

On Captain P-----r's Evidence.

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Hen Heaven to shew us Mercy was inclin'd,
Judas betray'd the Saviour of Mankind,
So P----r, by a pious Treachery,
Preserv'd his King and set his Country free;
Both did but in a different Shape, trapan,
One hang'd his Master, th' other hang'd his Man:
If for his Fact P----r's so highly priz'd,
In faith we'll have Iscariot canoniz'd.

Pay charming Silvia, do not think you raise
My modest Passion by your Want of Stays;
I do not for your dangling Breasts adore you,
That hang like new-milk'd Udders down before ye,
Or do I in those slabby Sides take pride,
That do your Apron-strings in Wallups hide.
You look like one from Vertue's Bonds just freed,
Whose Dress declares you little Courtship need;
If so, at one Request, your Favours grant,
And please yourtelf with what you seem to want,
But if you think my jealous Eyes to please,
And would be gently conquer'd by Degrees,
Raise my Esteem, and make speak your Praise,
Pray hide the Slut, and hasten on your Stays,

A Way young Fool, give all thy Flatt'ries o'er, I'm neither Saint, nor Angel, but a Whore; If thou'rt in Love, and wounded art with me, I'll prove thy hind Physician for a Fee.

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If thou hast any fond Desire to do't:
Be generous at once, and let's go to't: (Hearts: Fine Words and Complements ne'er reach our We're seldom wounded but with Golden Darts. No Cupid's Arrows can our Breasts annoy, His Mother guards us from the foolish Boy: Money's alone the God that makes us kind, For that we give up all you Men can find: For Gold we shew you all Love's pleasing Crotchets, But shut our Legs to those that close their Pockets.

The Curse of a young Lady compilled by her Parents to marry on Old Man.

Amn'd may she be, nay, double damn'd, that first For Int'rest wedded Age, may she be curs'd With all the Plagues a Woman's Rage can vent, And when we curse I'm sure they are well meant; May she be lewd to Excess, proud but yet poor, And none supply her Lust when she turns Whore. Then may she pine to Death for her ill Luck, 'Cause Age her cannot, Youth her will not ----

Spoke by a Servant Maid in the Church, doing Pennance for Defaming her Mistress.

I ER E do I stand according to Law;
Compell'd to deny what mine own Eyes saw,
His Breeches were down, her Belly was bare;
If he did nothing, what did he do there?

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By Villeroy's Mishap To the Ladies.

Ne'er think yourself secure from Night's Sur.

Tho' from Ramparts you do defy the Foe, Eugene will find an Aquaduct below.

Out of Ovid.

Donec eris fælix multos numerabis Amicos.

Tempora si fuerint Nubila, solus eris.

English'd by the same Hand.

Then Friends about thee'll swarm,
Like Flies about a Honey-Pot,
But if on thee she frown,
And cast thee down,
Lie there and rot.

SI nemini fuerant tibi quatuor, Ælia dentes, Expuit una duos tustis, & una duos; Nunc secura potes totis tustire diebus, Nil istic quod agat tertia tustis habet.

This English'd by T. B.

WHEN Gammer Gutton first I knew,
Four Teeth in all she reckon'd;
A Cough unlucky whips out two,
And t'other two, a second:
Courage, Old Dame, and never fear,
For if the third Cough comes,
Give me but t'other Jug of Beer,
And I'll secure thy Gums.

The Seaman's Love-Letter from Plymouth to his Mistress in Wapping.

Dear Madam,

MY long Confideration
Of the great Reputation

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You have in this Nation. For your good Education, Which moves Admiration, With another Qualification. Which has kindled Love's Paffion, In some of high Station, Gives me Invitation, And a strong Inclination, Upon my Salvation, To become your Relation, That by honest Frication, I mean Copulation, Without Fornication, I may give you Demonstration, Of the great Estimation I have for the Occupation Of your Place of Titulation. So I give Intimation. That I am making Preparation, By a speedy Navigation, To a nearer Situation, To pay you Adoration. For the Sake of Conversation; And if this my Declaration, By your kind Acceptation, Should find Approbanion, 'Twill impose on Obligation, Without Diffimulation, From Generation to Generation, So hoping for Confolation Upon the Consummation, Of the Work of Generation. I am yours by Protestation,

John Jenkins.

A Piece of Country Woman's Poetry, Spoke Extempore, on her cheapening a Shoulder of Mutton of one Bernet, a Butcher, who asking her an extravagant Price, she made the following Reply.

I Ndeed Goodmann Bennet, on this Day Sennight, I bought a Shoulder of Mutton,

Of Goodman Brown of our Town,
No better could Knise be put in:
I wish I may never stir from hence,

If I am about to tell you a Lye, It cost me no more than Fourteen-pence;

Tou'll pay for your Peeping.

HER Eyes, like Diamonds, without a Flaw,
Black, shining sparkling, such as mine ne'er
Flee, gazing Lovers, from the Danger flee, (saw,
They strike they wound, they murder all they see:
No Magazine was e'er so full of Darts,
Enough to pierre a thousand thousand Hearts.

### The Admiration ccas'd.

Hen I was young, and Passion bore the Sway,
And forc'd my weaker Reason to obey,
I fancy'd Joys which never could be found,
But on Parnassus Hills, the Poet's Ground;
Woman appear'd to me all o'er Divine,
And did with more than mortal Beauty shine;
Push'd on by Love, that youthful Vanity,
I the Adorer was, the Goddess she.
But Time, that withers every charming Grace,
And gives to all Things a declining Face,
Has at last worn out the Idolatry,
Ungoddes'd her, and unbesotted me.

To one who defired to borrow a Horfe. IGHT Worshipful Frank, I humbly thee thank For thy Kindness received of late, Ingratitude fure. I cannot endure, 'Tis a Vice that I utterly hate; I hear you provide in average report appel A Journey to ride, was being bill all all If any would lend you a Gennet ; frank 2 900 3 I protest before G \_\_\_\_d\_ ind and and on I Mine are all gone abroad, And wont be at home this Sen'night; But yet my kind Francis If that it fo chances, it will be the A Gennet you needs must hire, If your Bufine's be hafty, ..... I'll lend you my Mafty, and full above street To carry you out of the Mire, He's a dainty fine Cur, You need not him spur, If you his Condition but knew : .... For he'll prance and he'll gape,

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When he carries my Ape, Much more when he carries you.

Sus A N's a mettle Jade, all Air and Fire,
As merry as a Man can well defire:
She takes Delight to laugh, play, dance, or fing,
Will kifs, hug, promife, may, do any thing.
To any Game at Cards she'll not say nay,
But laugh and lye down, is her common Play;
At Draughts or Tables she'll engage with any,
Only she's apt to bear a Man too many.

At Bowls she beats all Gamesters young and old, ?
Provided always they the Rubbers hold,
And the they still play on she'll change their Gold.

The Kiffing Lover. Iffes fix Hundred, sweet ones too, doll hear? Chloe, fix Hundred give thy only Dear Not fuch as Fathers from their Daughters have, Nor such as Brothers from their Sisters crave; But such as kinder Wives their Husbands lend. Or the fond Maid does give her dearest Friend. Long Kisses I love best; the short retire Too foon, are but just tasted, and expire; Nice Lips are not much better than a Mute, And lifeless Marble Statue to Salute: I love, fweet Chloe, to restain thy Tongue, And 'twist my moister Lips detain it long; Then fucking, pinch it with a mighty Bite, And like two Doves, begin a pleasing Fight. Struggle, yet still kis on, renew our loys, And as we bill, express a murm'ring Noise. Kisses like these may sweet as Nectar prove, Or bles'd Ambrosia, which the Gods so love.

Into your foster Bosom side;
There stroke your Breasts, I shall not care one Jot
For all the kind Allurements you have got,
Beneath that modest Veil the Petticoat.

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If you'll kis thus, and let my Hand beside

Since they the noble Juice abuse,

As we have cause to think it,

May all true Topers Wine refuse,

And none but Rabble drink it,

Thus may they Slaves to Slaves become,

Till they're despis'd among us;

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And smell no sweeter Air at home,
Then Smoak of damn'd Mundungus.
May they be be curb'd, and live in Awe,
Of Porters and of Carmen;
And drink no Wine but what they draw
Of such mis-judging Vermin
As they deserve grant mighty Jove,
That this may be their Sentence;
May Sturm their ling'ring Poison prove,
And bring them to Repentance.

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Adv ce, to a Jealous Husband.... OOR: fealous Fools to thus thy Wife confine, And make her by herfelf in private pine; What the he's busiom, beautiful, and young, Her Inclinations vigorous and strong; Because the's hand some, must the therefore be A wretch'd Pris'ner, and a Slave to thee? Must she from Church-Devotion be restrain'd? And must her friendly Visits be refrain'd? Must none Admittance to her Presence have, But fage old Kinfinen, Neighbours to the Grave? Must she to none declare her Captive State, But servile Spies must at her Elbow wait? Must all her youthful Charms be thus confin'd, And th' injur'd Wretch not dare to fpeak her Mind. Fie, fie, thou're but a greater slave than fhe, Chain'd to the Horn by thy own Jealoufy: Tho' thy Wife's chafte, and ne'er to free from Faults, Thou'rt still an odious Cuckold in thy Thoughts. Fancy, without her Aid, cornutes thy Brows, And to revenge the Woman's Wrongs bellows The very felf-fame Torments, Plagues, and Stings A lustful Harlot on her Husband brings: Then vex floe her, nor teaze thyfelf, we feet The watchful Dragon could not guard the Tree,

But let thy Thoughts and her be unconfin'd, And both enjoy the Freedom of the Mind: For 'tis not all the Wit and Care thou hast, But her own Prudence that must keep her chaste. Vertue's the Center that must guard the Door, And if that fails, she'll surely be a Whore.

Upon Criticks.

Riticks their Love to ancient Authors wed,
And hate all modern Poets till they're dead;
Instead of Meriting, they envy Praise.
And slog with Birch all those that aim at Bays;
Wit they have seldom, very often none,
And cannot do, but carp at what is done:
Their musty Rules so obsolete and old,
Must be the Touch-stone of our modern Gold.
Pardon me, Sirs, I cannot think it sit,
The Latin Feols should judge of English Wit.

The Spendthrift.

OOK yonder but behold the wretched State
Of the gay Fool that swagger'd so of late,
Who was too rich, too proud, too great, too good,
To be advis'd, disputed, or withstood:
See how his Garb, which but the other Day
Was so profusely fine, so vainly gay,
Is into shameful Rents and Tatters torn,
And he himself become a publick Scorn:
In him we may behold th' unhappy Fate
Of those made rich too soon, and wise too late.

### The SOTS.

COME prithee, honest Jack, fill t'other Pipe, Let us not part when just our Wits are ripe; 'Tis much too early to retire to Bed; Here, Drawer, fill us t'other Quart of Red.

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Home's but a melancholy House of Care. Children and Wives our great Disturbers are. Come fill the Glass, at nothing now repine, We're only happy when we're o'er our Wine. Sleep's but the lifeles Image of pale Death; Then let us fill and drink whilft we have Breath. Come pull away, 'twill make us brisk and brave, Taere's no fuch charming Liquor in the Grave.

The GOSSIPS. Ood Neighbour, how d'ye do? And do again? T I think I have not feen you God knows when, I hear your Husband's gone abroad to Day. So I look'd in, but really could not stay; Pray fee in what a Pickle I am come. Upon my Life I left no Soul at home.

Pray, Neighbour, now you're here, fit down a

I'll tell you fomething that will make you fmile, I vow you ftartled me to hear you speak, I have not feen you, I believe, this Week; Ne'er fince we drank Geneva you know where, When merry Mr. -- - you know who, was there. Lord, how these cunning Children stand and leer! One can fay nothing but these Brats must hear. Go you to School, go Sirrah, how you fland, And take your Sister with you by the Hand. Come, pray fit down, don't want so much intreat-(ing

Are you for Drinking, Neighbour, or for Eating? You'll always make one stay, the Duce is in ye, Well, fince I'm thus dropt in, I'll fpend my Penny; Tho' when I first stepp'd in, I vow and swear, I did not think to stay one Minute here: But fince there's none but your own felf at home, I'm glad I did so opportunely come. Prithee. Prithee, let's smoak one merry Whist, and then I'll march my Way - The Lord above knows when,

From a Captain in the English Army, to a Captain in the Irish Army.

Ings just like Gods, punish as you deserve, They punish, by permisting us to starve.

The Answer.

SHould Kings, like Gods, punish as you deserve, You'd all be hang'd, and not have time to starve, The various Humours of Mankind.

IVE me a charming Lass, Twangdillo cries, I know no Happiness, but Love's sweet Joys. Give me the Bottle, says the red fac'd Sot, Damn Whores, I'd not give Three-pence for a T-t For Flights and Smiles the Poet raves; The learn'd Philosopher true Knowledge craves. The Priest for a good Benefice lays wait, The proud Man covets to be rich and great. The Lover courts to gain the cloven Spot, And nice Sir Courtly wants he knows not what. The Soldier loves to conquer when he fights, And in the Plunder of the Town delights. The lustful Matron seeks for a Gallant, The ripe young Virgin does a Husband want: But I, poor I, want every Thing by Turns, Except a scolding Wife, and Cuckold's Horns.

A COPY of the Association from Topsham,
We your Majest's Rightful and Lawful Subjects,
Of Loyal Convertation,
Within this Corporation,
Do make Protestation
Of our great Inclination,
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Whereof we of Royal Periwalion, Without superstitions Impovation, Do pray for the Extirpation Of every Hellish Machination; And firmly hope for Convertation From all Romila Tribulation, With perpetual Toleration, My unanimous Declaration, And folemn Attestation, Crave your Royal Approbation, And Gracious Acceptation, Which will be an Obligation From Generation to Generation Upon your faithful Congregation. The Taylor's Receipt to the Mercor. VER fince Cain flew Abel,

Or the Building of Babel,
I do hereby at large
Most freely discharge
Sherman the Mercer
By his Man the lesser,
The Sum of Twenty Shilling,
Paid very willing,
Justly and truly,
The 25th of July.

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The Beginning and the End of Love.

A Pleafant Object gratifies the Eye,

Makes ev'ry Senfe to make a Feaff comply.

The Hopes of Pleafure captivates the Brain,
And warms the flowing Blood in ev'ry Vein.

Till by Degrees it kindles up Love's Fire,
And arms the Fancy with a strong Desire;

Makes us pursue with Eagerness and Heat,
Those visionary Joys we think to sweet,

Which when obtain'd we find a spolish Cheat.

### Upon a Scola.

Ternal Fury, hold thy cursed Tongue,
So quick, so sharp, so loose, so loud, so long,
That neither Husband, Neighbour, Friend nor Foe,
Can be at Ease whene'er they hear it go
Dread Thunder is a much less frightful Noise,
Drums, Guns, and Bells are Musick to thy Voice;
The Pill'ry, which the perjur'd Villain sears,
Cannot be half so uneasy to the Ears;
Nor is the aching Head's vexatious Pain,
Half so tormenting to a fickle Brain;
Then, Lord, defend, and keep my Ears secure
From that sad Plague, which none but Death can cure,

To the Proprietor of the Parnaffus Packet.

Parnassus, 11th of May, 1702.

On Poetry. A Satyr.

O VID a Story tells his Wreath to grace,
How Phoebus and young Daphne ran a Race,
The Poets fancy, the swift Maid pursu'd,
And turn'd her into Lawrel to delude,
Since with the Bays Apollo's Brow's adorn,
And are by Heroes, and by Poets worn;

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Heroe and Poet, those two Fogs of Men, One's Skull's too thick, and th' other is too thin.

That nameless Thing, a Poet, never made
A Monster, like himself, tho 'tis his Trade.
His Veins sometimes in mighty Numbers swell,
And Love, and Hate, and War, and Battles tell.

As mad in Arms, as he's in Poetry,
Oft he in Fury does his Satyr whet,
And his Point level at the Rich and Great,
When they his Expectation do defeat.

Nothing is so impertmently filly;
He talks of sacred Groves and Hellicon,
And of the mighty Hills he dreams upon.

Let him talk on of Bowers, Fields and Streams,

Yet all his vast Possessions are but Dreams.

His Spring is Ale when he can get no Claret,

And his Parnassus is a losty Garret:

Where fancy'd Flames his heaving Breast inspire

Having no other but the Muse's Fire.

Whilt the poor Madman scarce finds means to

But this is Fruth too old, and when I tell it,
'Tis thus I fancy, Cythius susem weller;
Wretch that thou art, to ridicule the Flame,

Tell me for once, Apollo, tell me true,
What's that immortal Fame? What can it do?
Can it obtain a Lewis-d'Or, or Guinea;
For th' Fool that whines and flatters like a Ninny;

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40 Or get a Dinner at Pontack's and Locket's

For the Spark that hath both empty Guts and
(Pockets?

Can it a Bottle gain with a Soule?
Or keep a thread-bare Jacket from a Loufe?
In case of Need, can it procure a Friend?

Great Sirs, you know the Wife on Money fix?

And he's the Bravest that hath Coach and fix?

'Iis Gold that makes the Beau and Blockhead

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Whilst starving Poets beg with jingling Ditty?
What says the Oracle to these Queries?
Die & tu mihi magnus eris, Apollo cries.
Well since the God of Wit says nothing to it,
I'll neither be a Heroe, nor a Poet.

## EPITAPHS, Serious and Comical.

On Queen Mary, of Bleffed Memory. TIthin this Urn her facred Ashes rest. Who was of Conforts and of Queens the best In Person beautiful, in Temper mild. Her Mind serene, with Passion undefil'd : Her Vertue fullied with no Wrath nor Pride, Forgiving Smiles did her Resentments hide. Unblam'd fhe liv'd, and reign'd without a Foe, Forward to pardon, but to punish flow. To Christian Rules the strictly liv'd confin'd, Was just to God, and good to all Mankind. The Church's Guardian Angel she appear'd, Her Piety its declinining Grandure rear'd. Pop'ry cast out by her reforming Charms, And hugg'd the fainting Kingdom in her Arms: But here her fragrant Relicks lie interr'd, While her just Soul enjoys its blest Reward.

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### On his Majefly King William.

ERE lies the fam'd illustrious Prince, William the Third both Great and Good, Who England fav'd without th' Expence, Of Friend's or Adversary's Blood; With fleady Hands he rul'd the Reins Was cautious here and watchful there, Neitherinflam'd the British Plaine, Nor chill'd the Soil for Want of Care, France trembled at his warlike Sword, Whilst England in her Safety joy'd; His active Soul with Vertue for'd. Was ne'er at Ease unless employ'd; Had jealous England truly known The Royal Vertues he pellelydy He had not only bleft the Throne, But left the Kingdom doubly bleft, Great was his Birth, and great his Name; Great were his Deeds, here he lies, Yet Ages cannot blaft his Fame, Who now is great above the Skies.

A Character of King William the Third, attempted by an ingenious and faithful Lover of his King and Country.

The Head, Hand, and Heart of the Confederacy,
Afferter of Liberty, and Deliverer of Nations.
Support of the Empire,
Bulwark of Holland and Flanders,
Preserver of Britain, Reducer of Ireland,
Terror of France.
His Thoughts were wife and secret,
Words sew and faithful,

Actions many and Heroick,
Government without Tyranny,
Justice without Rigour,
Religion without Superstition.
He was Great without Pride,
Valiant without Violence,
Active without Weariness,
Cautious without Fear,
Meitorious without Thanks.
King, Queen, Prince, Potentate, the World ne'er saw,
So wise, just, honest, valiant as Nassau.
He was
But Words are wanting to say what:
Say all that's Great and Good, and he was That.

An Epitaph on the Duke of Grafton, who was killed at the taking of Cork in Ireland. Written by a Cabbin-Boy of a Ship.

> Eneath this Place, Is stow'd his Grace The Duke of Grafton, As true a Blade. As e'er was made. Or e'er had Haft on, Mark'd with a Star, Was fam'd for War. Of Mettle true, As ever drew, Or made a Pass At Lad or Lafs. This Son of Mars, Ne'r hung an Arfe, Or turn'd his Tail. Tho' Shot, like Hai

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# Epitaphs, Serious and Comical. 139

Fless about his Ears to the Thro' Pikes and Spears So thick they hid the Sun, He bravely led them on. More like a Devil than a Man. He ne'er would dread Shot made of Lead, Or Cannon-Ball, Nothing at all; But a Bullet of Cork Soon did his Work, Unhappy Peller, With Grief I tell it; Great Cafar's Son s
A Statefman Spoil'd, Thus quite undone A Soldier foil'd, G d rot him That foot him, A Son of a Whore,

I'll fay no more But here lies Henry Duke of Grafton.

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TERE lies the Reverend S-'s Duft. Whose Loyal Sufferings all discerning, Are us'd as Glories by the fult, To crown his Piety and Learning. 'Till Death his Knowledge had no End, His active Soul was so capacious, He liv'd the Church's faithful Friend, And died a fecond Athanafius, His Conscience just, his Spirit brave, His Vertue greater Fame inherit, Than Grecian Worthies in the Grave, Or all the Roman Saints could merit,

His Memory fully'd with no Crime, Will of Worth and Durance be; Twill bury Churches, out-live Time, And stand up with Eternity.

On a Knight who was beheaded in the troublesome Times.

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Whose Loyalty, unspotted as the Light, Seal'd with his Blood his injur'd Sov'reign's Right. His Head the State did from his Body sever, Because, when living, 'twas his just Endeavour,

To join the Nation and its Head together.

He boldly fell, girt round with weeping Soldiers Imploring Heaven, for the Good of the Beholders, So to cut H---'s Head from England's Shoulders.

On the Rev. Mr. Richard Robbins. By N. T.

Triumphs in Heaven, free from all Restraint;
Blest Robin! Death to him has lost his Sting,
His great aspiring Soul has taken Wing;
Soaring, reach'd higher than the starry Sky,
He liv'd by Faith, and did with Transport die.

On an old Soldier, who long before he dy'd, loft both

Eneath this Stone here lieth one, Who in his Race of Life to Death, Has by his own two Legs out run,

Altho' they were first out of Breath:

He follow'd twenty Years behind,
When they had long perform'd their Course;
They got the Start, which was unkind,
But now they're met, 'tis ne'er the worse;

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His Courage fure did Death provoke, wht thying if his Heart was found. Struck both his Legs of at one Stroke, yet could not bring him to the Ground Till Age at last drew on Decay, hasten'd by Bruises, Cuts, and Thumps, Then Death commanding him away, forc'd him to march upon his Stumps,

On a Dutchman, who was a great Lover of Fift, and happen'd to chook himself with over Eagerness at a Fifb-Dinner.

TERE truly lies, for all our jeering, The Quinteffence of pickled Herrring: For Fish he lov'd like any Otter, Nay better, when 'twas out of Water, And Swam a second Time in Butter. But like those Sons that can't forbear The Bottle, or the Charming Fair, Beneath their Fate the Glutton fell, And dy'd with that he lov'd fo well, In this Condition here he lies, 'Till Dutchman shall to Heaven rise. And when that joyful Time will be. The Lord knows who may tell for me.

On a Man that My'd of the Foul Difenfe.

TERE lies poor Wimbleton, God reft his Soul I Bit by a damn'd Snap-Dragon in a Hole: The Wound was mortal, none could do him good, But Death, who cur'd what no Physician could Hard was his Fate! Farewel, departed Brother, Toss'd by one dirty Hole into another.

On a Wool-Comber, who was hang do for Sheep-Stealing . 2 and done done

Eneath this Gallows lies Tom Kemp, Who liv'd by Wool, and dy'd by Hemp; The Fleece would not suffice the Glutton, But with it he must steal the Mutton: Had he but work'd, and liv'd uprighter. He'd ne'er been hang'd for a Sheep biter.

Spoke Extempore by a Seaman on his Comrade, that was shot in an Engagement, and flung over board.

WNtomb'd within a liquid Wave, Lies honest Philip, once so brave : Such Men as he the King has need of, Pox take the Ball that that his Head off, And at once fent his brawny Crupper, To give fome greedy Shark a Supper. Fire, my Lads, by all that's good, We'll fight 'till we revenge his Blood, It never shall be said but we, To one we lofe, will knock down three.

On a Man that choak'd himself with a Bit of New Bread.

Y many Folks it has been said. The only Staff of Life is Bread : How could it then stop Simon's Breath. And be the Occasion of his Death : One little Morfel prov'd his laft, Which he devour'd in fo much Hafte; That angry Death in Passion swore, He ne'er should swallow one Bit more.

# Epitaphs, Serious and Comical. 143

On an Old Woman, occasioned by a Sexton filling up her Grave with a wooden Leg.

HERE lies an old Woman G-dd\_n her, That liv'd at the Sign of the Hammer, She dy'd of the Cholick,

A very pretty Frolick,
To see how the Sexton did ram here and the

A Man who had no Children by his VVife, told her, when The died the following should be her Epitaph.

> UNDER this Slate, Lies barren Kate.

VVbe replied, then this shall be your's.

I NDER this Stone,

Lies one that had none.

On John Brown, who kill'd himself with eating of Curd. Written by his Wife.

Who kill'd himself with eating of Curds;
But had he been rul'd by Joan his Wife,
He might have liv'd all the Days of his Life.

On Charceller Hide's Son, who dy'd a Youth at Westminster-School, and was bury'd in the Abby. Written with a Piece of Chalk upon his Stone, by one of his School-Fellows.

Because he dy'd;
We had much rather
It had been his Father;
Had it been his Sister,
We had not mist her.

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But fince 'tis Ned
That here lies dead,
Who was in Truth,
A pretty Youth,
Let fall a Tear upon his Stone,
To show you're forry he is gone.

on Sir John Calf, who was three times Lord Mayor of York.

HERE lies Sir John Calf, who was three times Lord-Mayor of this City. Honour, Honour, Honour.

A Spark reading it, writes thus underneath.

Off buel Death! More subtle than a Fox,
Who would not let this Calf become an Ox,
That he might browse among the Briars and Thorns,

And wear, among his Brethren, Horns, horns, horns,

On me Mr. Tame's Wife, whose Maiden Name was. Wild.

I Nromb'd here lies my dearest Dame, I woo'd her VVild, and made her Tame: Lo, here she lies without Bed or Blanket, Dead as a Door-Nail, God be thanked,

On Abraham a Taylor's PVife, whose Mame was Sarah,

ON Abraham's Bosom full of Lice, To Abraham's Bosom in Paradice, The Soul of Sarah took its Flight, And bid the Louise Rogue good Night.

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Epitaphs, Serious and Comical. 145

On Thomas Saffin, in Stepney Church yard.

Born in New England, did in London die?
Was the third Son of Eight, begot upon
His Mother Martha, by his Father John:
Belov'd by his Prince he began to be,
'Till nipt by Death at the Age of twenty three:
Fatal to him was that we Small-pox name,
By which his Mother and three Brethren came
To breath their last some several Years before.
Leaving their aged Father to deplore
The Loss of all his Children, with a Wife,
Who was the Joy and Comfort of his Life.

On Marsh, an Informer.

STAY, Reader, and pifs here, for it is faid;
Under this Dirt a fly Informer's laid.
If Heaven be pleas'd when Mortals cease to fin and Hell be pleas'd when Villains enter in;
And Earth he pleas'd when it intombs a Knave,
Sure all are pleas'd, now Marsh is in his Grave,

#### On a Good Woman.

HE Dame that takes her Rest within this Tomb Had Rachel's Face, and Leah's fruitful Womb Abigail's Wisdom, Lydia's faithful Heart, Martha's just Care, and Mary's better Pare.

On the Lord L. n, who expired in the All of Generation, ...

Full twelve Foot deep,
The Earl of Lin—n lies
Who with his own Spade,
His own Grave made
Retwixt his Lady's Thighs.

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A Raffenger reidling it ; added what follows

If through that Hole was need To Heaven he stole, o and brist ont any I will be bold to fay. lelov'd by his Prince he He was the last That ever pan ad Is dased yet bein Hill And first that found that Way w mid or land

On a Toung Lady that died on her Wedding-Day, before her Bridegroom had bedded her, who caused a double Stone to be put over her, with this Ep taph.

DEneath here lies a Marry'd Maid, Whose Grave became her Bridal Bed, But fince the Elop'd as foon as wedded, Her Bridegroom to her Memory's Hodour, Has plac'd a Pair of Scones upon her; Refolving, fince alive the'd none, When dead, the should have more than one; But whilst he breaths, he failt is grieving, To think she had 'em not when living.

## Under-writ by a Paffenger.

Erhaps the pretty Bird was flown, Which made her die with Grief affected, To think the doloft what he expected: 'Tis true, her Case was something hard, But dead, one Stone he might have spar'd; Because when living, many swear, She had been cover'd with a Pair.

> This onva Gaste made Reswirt his Lady's Thighs.

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## Songs and BALLADS.

Ou Queen Mary's Death. A Song,

Sordid Fate, to fnatch from Earth,
The brightest Soul that e'er had Birth;
Vertue, Wit, and Beauty's fled,
To grace the Mansions of the Dead.

To mourn for her so Just and Fair,
A Crown of Cypress will I wear;
O'er her Urn I'll daily weep,
Wherein her sacred Ashes sleep.

Grieve, that so bright a Creature,
Bless'd by Heaven and Nature,
Should with each Majestick Feature,

In the Dust be laid,

But Oh! she's dead, dead, dead, dead.

Oh! she's dead,

Oh! she's dead, dead, dead.

But fince our Tears cannot a Moment fave,

From greedy Death the Wife or Great,

Or call them back a Minute from the Grave, Why should we grieve, or thus lament her Fate? For Vertue, Wit, and Beauty mortal are,

When Fate commands they must away,

Where Kings and Beggars, Homely and the Fair.

Eree from Contempt or Envy, mix their Clay,

Then let's forget
To mourn the Fate
Of Good or Great,
When once they're gone,
And merry be,

To think fuch Shrubs as we, Escape and see

Such lofty Pines cut down,

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Serrem drewn'd in a Glass: Or, The Dead Misters

Since Corinna's fled away,

To the Blessing of immortal Day,
And left me thus behind on Earth,
To give my Sorrow daily Birth;

I'll to some cool Shade retire,
Where Turtles Wings shall fan my Fire:
My sweet tun'd Lute I'll tune and play
The tedious Life of Hours away.
Corinna's Name my Song shall be,
The Birds shall join in Harmony;

Thus banish Misery
And merry, merry, be;
My Time away
I'll sing and play
Beneath a shady Tree

But fince the's gone why thould I grieve My Sight cannot the Lofs retrieve:

Tis a Folly to be fad.
For Sorrow makes us mad:
Tis better far
To drown our Care,
And make our Spirits glad.

#### CHORUS.

Come hither

You Birds that are of a Feather;

And as the old Proverb fays,

Let's flock together.

Here's Wine, Boys,

So sparkling, so pleasant, and fine, Boys,

Such sacred Liquor,

Drowns ev'ry ill Design, Boys.

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# Songs and Ballads.

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Let's tels off our Glasses,
Whilst other damn'd Plots are devising,
Thus drink 'till our Faces,
Look red as the Sun at his Rising.

### The DOCTOR.

C E E, Sirs, fee here, a Doctor rate, and han A Who travels much at Home: Here take my Pills, I cure all Ills, The Cramp, the Stitch, the Squirt, the Itch, the (Gout, the Stone, the Pox. The Mulligrubs, the Bonny Scrubs, and all, all, all, (all, all, Pandora's Box : Thousands I have diffected, and Thousands more erected, And fuch Cures effected, as none e'er can tell. Let the Cholick rack ye, and and and Let the Palfie shake ye, Let the Crinkums break ye, Let the Murrain take ye. Take this, this this and you are well to 1 30002 Thousands, &c. Some Showing. Come Wits to keen Devour'd with Spleen, Come Beaus who've firain'd your Backs; Great Belly'd Maids, See Ponoiss. Old founder'd Jades For Coppus, And pepper'd Vizard-Cracks. lack Puddings, foon remove the Pains of Love, And eafe the Love-fick Maid, The Sot, the Scold, the Young, the Old, The Living and the Dead. clear the Lass with Wainscot Face, and a loss of

And from Pimgennets free,

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And some to a Show: See Poppits, For Moppits, Jack Puddings, evol to mind on evomor moof For Cuddens,

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Pick-pockets, Pick-plackets Tars, Butchers, and Beaus: Fops prattling, Dice rattling Rooks fhamming, Puts damning, Whores painted, Marks tainted, and Forman Formatte In Tally Man's Furbelow Cloaths. 19 15 14 18 If Mobs Joy you would know, To the Mulick-House go. See Taylors, And Sailors, Wheres Oyly, sally sanind result sall and

In Doyley, blod Aben , bod , ildo H !!! I' North H Here Musick makes you sick.

Cows skipping in the bagging A Clowns tripping Some jeaking

Like Spiggot and Tap; Short Measure, Strange Pleasure, Thus Billing And Swilling. Some yearly, Get fairly for Fairings, and wantails Pig, Pork, and a Clap.

War wih the Leviathan : Or, The Royal Fisher, By R. S.

THERE your Epitomiz'd may fee What Crews to Sea Long Islands fend, What, and how great these Hazards be, Which on that brave Defign attend.

#### The Tune. Hey to the Temple.

W HY stay we at home now the Scason is come Jolly Lads, let us liquor our Throats; Our Interest we wrong, if we tarry too long, Then all Hands alost, let us fit our Boats;

Let each Man prepare

Of the Tackling his share,
By Neglect a good Voyage may be lost;

Let's away, and Make no Stay.

Nor Delay;

For the Winter brings Whales on the Coaft. Harry Will, Robin, Ned, with bold Tom in the Head

And Sam in the Stermbravely stand, As rugged a Crew (if you give them their Due)

As e'er did take Oars in their Hands:

Such Heroes as these

Will with Blood fain the Seas, When they join with their resolute Mates,

Who with Might,
Void of Fright,
With Delight,
Boldly fight

Mighty Whales, as if they were but Sprats. Come Coyl in the War, see the Hatchets be sharp,

- And make ready the Irons and Launces;

Each Man ship his Oar, and leave nothing on short

See the Buoy be made tight.

And the Drug fitted right,

So that nothing be wanting anon,

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Round about, There's a Spout,

Come away, Boys, ler's launch if we ean,

The Surff runs too high, 'ewill be down by and by.

Take a Slatch to go off; now twill do,

Pull up briskly a Stroke (Boys) or two,

We are clear of the Surff.

Every Hand heave out Water apace,
There's the Whale,

That's her Back,

That looks black;
There's her Wake.

Pull away, Boys, let's give her Chafe,

Ha! well row'd, jolly Trouts, pull away, there he And we gain of her briskly, I find, (fpouts,

We're much about her Ground, let's take a Dram

And her Rifing befure let us mind (round, She is here, just a-head,

Stand up, Tom; pull up, Ned,

We are fast back a stern what ye may.

Hold on, Lad;

I'm afraid,

She's a Jade, She's fo mad.

she's scragg, for your Lives cut away,

t is but in vain to despond or complain,
Tho' we've met with Misfortunes already.

"is Courage must do, for the Proverb you knew,

A faint Heart never won a fair Lady,

Pull up, Lads, t'other Chace,

Our Motes will be fast without Doubt

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She is there,

Just a Stern, jolly Hearts, pull about, Pull briskly, for there she's rifen very fair,

Back a Stern, it is up to the Strep;

Well done, come bravely throw'd, clearly, Lad

'Tis not always we meet with Mishap, Veer our Wrap, let her run, She will quickly have done:

Well done Mate, 'twas a brave fecond Stroke,

Now she jerks, Who can work, Veer our Wrap, She tows sharp,

Hang the Blacksmith, our Launce it is broke, Pull a head, haul in wrap, for she rows not so shar But's beginning to flounce and to strike;

Fit a Launce, let us try, if we can by and by Give her one gentle Touch to the Quick.

Bravely throw'd, jolly Lads,

She's nothing nigh so mad.

As she was, th' other Launce may do good;

Well done, Tom,
That was home
To her Womb,
Makes her foam,

She's fick at the Heart, the spouts Blood, The Bus'ness is done, launce no more, let's alone,

Tis her Hurry, she's as dead as a Herring; Let's take in a Tow, and all Hands stoutly row,

And Mate Sam, prichee mind well thy Steering The Wind begins to blow,

And the Seas bigger grow, Every Man put his Strength to his Oar;

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Color Ballant Leave to prate, Now 'cis late ! Well row'd Mate, Hey for Kate the's a-ground out away, let's afhoar.
Come turn up our Boats, let's put on our Coats,
And to Ben's, there's a chirupping Cup; Let's comfort our Hearts, ev'ry Man his two Quarts, And to-morrow all Hands to cut up, Betimes leave your Wives. Bring your Hooks and your Knives And let none lie a-bed like a Lubber : But begin With the Sun. To have done Before Noon. That the Carts may come down for the Blubber, 26 FE 62 FINIS.

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